

Lloyd loves going the distance for his team

Aaron Talasnik
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At the age of seven a little boy named Doug Lloyd began his swimming career, over the past thirteen years Lloyd has grown into a great swimmer and captain.

This season Lloyd began his first season as swim team captain, but this lack of experience doesn't mean that he is a poor leader. "As a captain, I feel that my job is to teach the new swimmers how the program works as well as keeping the team motivated throughout the long season, so that we always perform at our best," explained Lloyd. So far he is doing his best to lead the team with his mix of seriousness and great sense of humor. He is always trying to motivate the team

before every meet, whether swimming a powerhouse or an easier opponent.

"Doug is a strong leader, he can always excite the team," stated Coach Stephenson.

When giving his pre-meet inspirational speeches, Lloyd uses a variety of topics from talking to Elvis to picking up radio waves from his chipped tooth to quoting Yoda from the *Empire Strikes Back*. Although these speeches may seem ridiculous, they do their job of getting the team motivated and pumped up before the meet.

Not only is Lloyd a tremendous leader, but also a great swimmer. When he first started his career at SSU, he was a sprinter swimming the 50 and 100 freestyle, as well as the 100 Backstroke, tendinitis in his shoulders forced him to

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Doug Lloyd poses following a swim.
Photo by Carl Cooksey.

Sigma Tau Gamma chapter in jeopardy

Heather Crutchfield
News Editor

On November 16, in the pre-dawn morning, Worcester County Police responded to resident complaints of loud noise in the Pocomoke Forest. When they arrived at the scene, the police found a field party peppered with underage drinkers. While this is a common occurrence near a college campus, this particular incident sparked debate in the community and on the campus. The hosts of this party were members of a respected fraternity on campus, Sigma Tau Gamma.

At this event, five party attendants were arrested for underage drinking. Beyond these arrests, the entire incident is considered

an open case and is still being reviewed by the Worcester County State's Attorney's Office. According to Brad Marsh, a member of Sigma Tau Gamma, the police were investigating to bring Sigma Tau Gamma up on charges of hazing, which Marsh denies was a factor. John Everett, another member of Sigma Tau Gamma, elaborated that initiation had already occurred and the event in Pocomoke Forest was simply an after party to celebrate the inductions.

This incident comes just a few weeks after the release of the results of the Core survey which reflected a high rate of binge drinking at Salisbury State University. While the President's task force is due to announce their proposals on how to curb the high rates of underage and binge drinking on the

campus, these reactions have not come fast enough.

Under the SSU Double Jeopardy rule, if a student is charged under the state of Maryland for illegal activity, they can also be tried on campus under the university's judicial system. This rule also applies to organizations. Writers of the police report for this incident made a connection between the party and Sigma Tau Gamma. In a Greek Council meeting last week, Megan Vistino, co-chair of the Greek Council at SSU, stated, "Whether or not this is viewed as an action of organization will determine whether or not Sigma Tau Gamma will [continue to] be recognized as a student organization."

While Sigma Tau Gamma is a Greek organization, this does not

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Student delegation represented

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Two students represented SSU in the Maryland Student Legislature Interim Council on November 15-17 at Goucher College in Towson, Maryland. Jeremy Rosendale and Robert Spivey participated in the conference, which is modeled after the Maryland General Assembly. The completely student-run organization writes bills, debates the issues and votes on the legislation.

The Student Legislature was divided into four committees, which proposed bills. The bills passed at the Interim Council meeting included a resolution legalizing assisted suicide, a bill reforming the electoral college and a mandate for health education in all public high schools. The Student Legislature also passed bills legalizing abortion up to the second trimester and insuring the privacy of convicted child molesters.

The organization provides students the opportunity to assume leadership roles and debate important issues. Through the Maryland Student Legislature, the opinions of college students are highlighted for the public and lawmakers.

The Maryland Student Legislature includes 100 representatives from all

Maryland colleges and universities. The organization holds the Interim Council in the fall of each year and the Assembly in the spring of each year. The group is funded by the state of Maryland.

Rosedale, the chair of the Student Legislature's judicial committee, became interested in the organization while working for a state politician. He said, "I have gained a deeper appreciation for [parliamentary] procedure as a result of my involvement in the Interim Council." Rosedale said the debate give him the opportunity to be exposed to the varying opinions of college students.

The SSU delegation is attempting to expand in size before the spring assembly meeting. According to Spivey, most of the schools send 10 to 15 representatives to the meetings.

The delegation, sponsored by Dr. Basehart, meets twice a month and attends the two annual meetings. There are no requirements to become a member of the Student Legislature. New members pay a one-time \$10 membership fee. Spivey said, "It is a low obligation club which provides excellent experience in debate and politics."

Interested students should contact Spivey or Basehart.

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NEWSsection

First student speaker prepares for graduation

Carrie Miller
Flyer Staff Writer

When the day of graduation arrives, students anticipate speeches from fellow classmates and honored guests offering advice and visions about the future as well as reflections on the past. In previous years at SSU, there has been no student speaker. This semester at Salisbury State University, marks the first time a student will address the graduating class during the ceremony. Michele Bleech will speak on behalf of her class at December graduation this year.

The concept to have a student speaker was presented last spring to the Student Government Association (SGA). Two students preparing to graduate, Karen Archimbault and Amy Prigano, wanted a fellow classmate to speak at their ceremony. According to SGA Representative and Commencement Committee member J.R. Burkhardt, due to the change in administration last year, the proposal was not approved until the arrival of SSU President William Merwin.

The proposed speaker would be a representative of the graduating class, not necessarily a Valedictorian. The organizing students wanted the selection criteria to require more than a good grade point average, they wanted a well rounded student, one who had high grades, but also demonstrated involvement on the campus and in the community.

This semester, when the Commencement Committee began searching for speaker candidates, they established a list of criteria that needed to be met. According to

the criteria, the student needs at least 60 credits from the Salisbury campus, graduating



Michele Bleech, SSU's first graduation student speaker.
Photo courtesy of SGA Office

with University Honors (requiring a GPA of 3.3 or better) and finally, the student needs to demonstrate involvement in school.

The committee sent out information to all applicable students and asked that interested students to submit speeches.

Burkhärdt, along with Modern Foreign Language Department Chair Dr. Arlene White and Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Carol Williamson examined the speeches and narrowed down the selection. Finalists then presented their speeches in front of the committee.

The committee agreed upon Bleech. Bleech is a senior Liberal Arts major, with minors in Marketing Management and Psychology. Bleech, a Maryland native, has written a speech that focuses on her family and their influences on her experiences at Salisbury State University. She has quite a unique familial situation, being the fifth of her siblings to graduate from SSU.

Not only was Bleech chosen because of her speech, but also for her broad areas of involvement on and off campus. Bleech was a member of several clubs including the History club, Newman club, Outdoor Club and Art Club.

Bleech also has had a wide range of involvement in the community. While at SSU, Bleech was a volunteer at the Peninsula Regional Medical Center in the Marketing Department. She also runs a free lance art business from her home in Salisbury. Another area where her artistic talents influence the community is during exhibits. She is currently exhibiting works around the area and exhibits locally throughout the year.

This year during graduation, the graduates will not only hear from the keynote speaker, Delegate Norman Conway, but from a highly qualified classmate. Bleech is the first student to address her fellow classmates, one final landmark event for the Fall 1996 semester.

Nursing program rivals Johns Hopkins

The nursing program at SSU is rapidly becoming one of Maryland's finest. SSU graduates of the Department of Nursing recently scored the highest in Maryland for four-year programs on the National Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses. Students who took the exam between July 1, 1995 and June 30, 1996 achieved a passing rate of 96 percent. This score was equivalent to Johns Hopkins University's results; an institution renowned for its medical training. Congratulations!

FAS internships in Washington, D.C. revealed

Pamela Raitt
Flyer Staff Writer

Students interested in spending the summer in Washington, D.C., listening to top-notch speakers on politics, industry or media, meeting other students from around the world and getting college credit for it all are being offered an exciting opportunity. The Fund for American Studies (FAS) together with Georgetown University is offering three seven week programs in our nation's capitol next year, from June 7-July 26. The joint program is called "Live, Learn and Intern."

The internships are funded through three foundations, each in a different sphere of learning. Each internship follows the same format, with mornings devoted to work in an appropriate office, afternoons spent in classes at Georgetown University and evenings devoted to "leadership development activities."

The Engalitcheff Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems

is geared towards students considering a career in government, economics, public policy, international law or business. Interns in this program begin their day working either in a congressional office on the Hill or with a think tank, law firm, foreign embassy or government agency. Afternoons are devoted to course work in comparative economic systems and a study of American politics in the 20th century, both taught at Georgetown University. In the evenings interns will hear speakers who are currently shaping public policy. Past speakers have included U.S. Senator John Ashcroft and former U.S. Representative to the United Nations Jeane Kirkpatrick.

Dale Tauber, 25, attended this internship in 1991, spending seven weeks on the House Ways and Means Committee. The

following year he was hired as a research assistant at CATO, a prestigious public policy institute on the Hill. "The internship definitely helped me," said Tauber. "I had never been on the floor of the House or been in any of the offices before. I learned more about how legislation is actually passed than I ever did in classes." Now in graduate school, Tauber said

he knows his experience with FAS helped him get his job at CATO.

The Bryce Harlow Institute on Business and Government Affairs offers a program for students who intend to enter the corporate world. The internship teaches students how American business helps to shape the development of national policy. A typical day starts with work in a Fortune 500 corporation, trade association or consulting firm, in their government affairs office. As in the political science internship, afternoons are spent at Georgetown University, taking a course on business and government relations and another on values in organizations. Evening speakers in this internship have included the vice president for government affairs at Ticketmaster.

In public relations material from FAS, Christopher Bowers, a student at Fordham University, stated, "My internship at Eli Lilly was fabulous. The classes, site briefings and other events melded extremely well with my internship, and this synthesis provided me with an educational

experience that I will never continue on page 8

Fraternity party sparks investigation

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mean the party was to be classified as a Greek event. At the Greek Council meeting held after the event, Associate Dean of Students Barry King, emphasized "[This incident] does not need to be generalized nor will it be generalized by our office as a Greek event."

While the event is not being associated as a Greek event, the repercussions for the group as a Greek organization are clearly strong. Sigma Tau Gamma has had its organizational status suspended pending criminal review and a campus judicial response. Not only do they lose general organization privileges such as using SSU facilities for meetings and not

Council. They loose their vote with the councils, will not be recognized by the SGA, and finally, they can not participate in rush or Greek Week activities.

Though suspended, the IFC is going to invite Sigma Tau Gamma to a meeting to defend their position,

defend their position on the council."

Esper also believes that while the event, not being publicized as a Greek event, it will reflect negatively on other campus Greek organizations due to stereotyping.

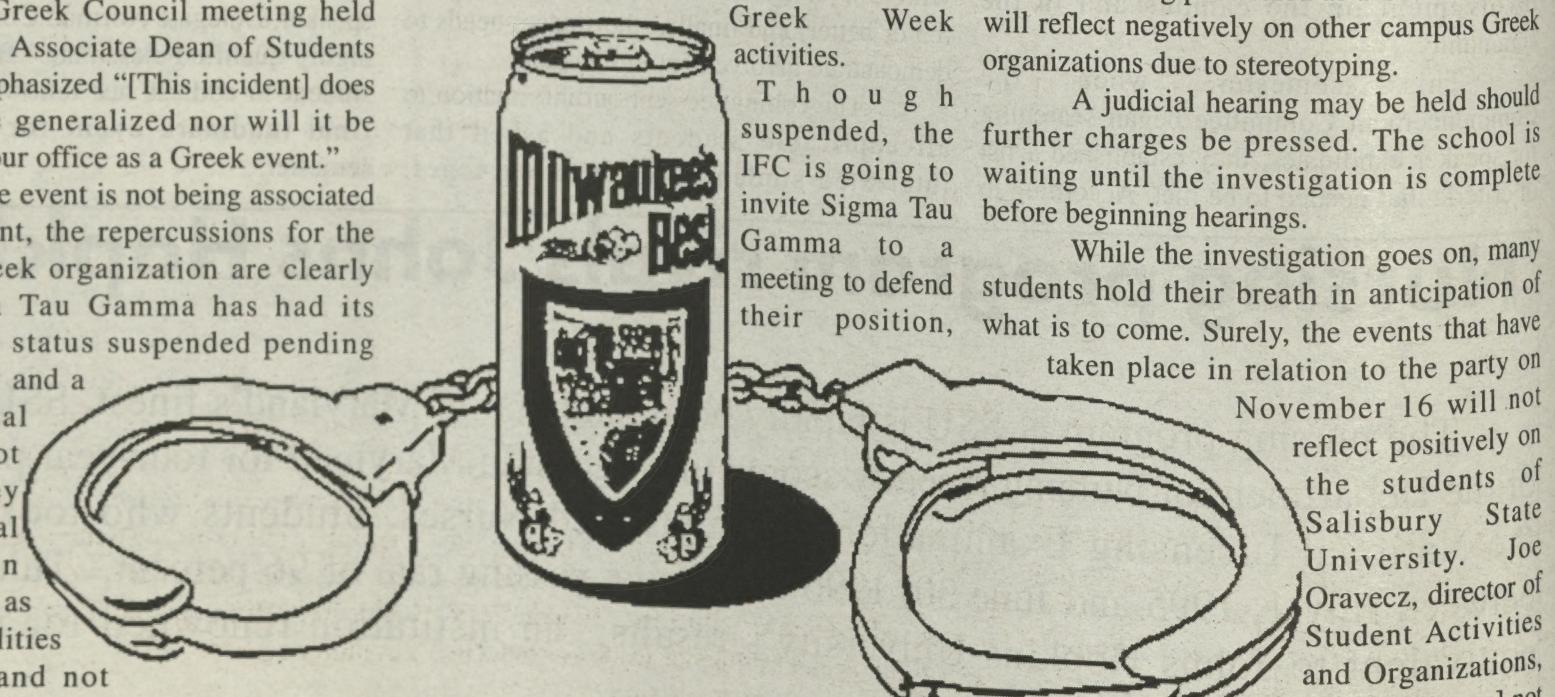
A judicial hearing may be held should further charges be pressed. The school is waiting until the investigation is complete before beginning hearings.

While the investigation goes on, many students hold their breath in anticipation of what is to come. Surely, the events that have

taken place in relation to the party on November 16 will not reflect positively on the students of

Salisbury State University. Joe Oravecz, director of Student Activities and Organizations, stated, "[These are] not

actions we support in registered organizations on campus."



according to Jake Esper, vice-president of the IFC. Esper stated, "One of their responsibilities [as a Greek organization] is to

be able to affiliate Sigma Tau Gamma with SSU, they also lose privileges on the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) and the Greek

Dr. Zak receives Distinguished Faculty Award

Office of Public Relations

"Robert Frost believed that discussions of outer seriousness should have an inner humor and humorous matters an inner seriousness."

Dr. William Zak, English professor at Salisbury State University, is using the American poet to illuminate a point about teaching. "You can't touch students if it's just work for them. Conversation, for example, is an utterly joyous thing. For me the ideal classroom atmosphere would be that of a late night dorm rap session with students talking about some political issue or book at two in the morning."

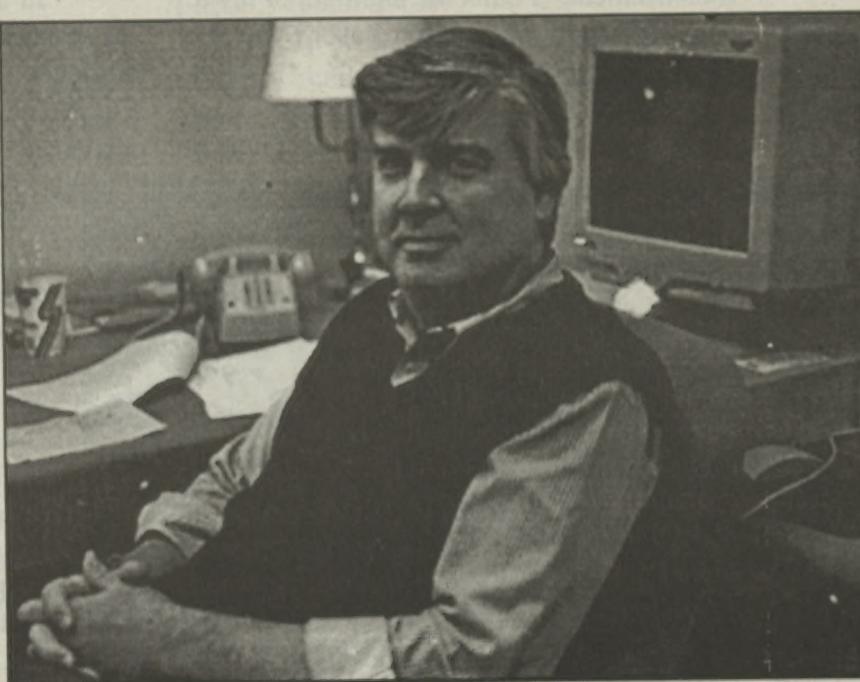
For Zak, winner of this year's Distinguished Faculty Award at SSU, such ironies — passionate conversation as education — the seriousness of play — engage not just his mind. The Distinguished Faculty Award incorporates three areas of a career: teaching, service to the

community and scholarship. This year, Zak's colleagues describe the book as provocative—a startlingly original approach to the ancient Greek tragedy. Zak shies away from "hubris of the hero" theories to something more complex: the dangers of leaders acting without deliberation and citizens deliberating without action. The implication for contemporary democracy are obvious.

Following the publication of his second book, Zak had been invited to apply for a senior professorship in Renaissance literature at the University of California-Irvine. He decided to stay at Salisbury State. Love of teaching, family and colleagues, even the campus all entered into it, but there may be more.

As he talks about Salisbury State, tragedy and athletics and art, he mines them for humor.

"Frost once said, 'strongly spent is synonymous with kept.' I've never quite understood that," Zak said with a smile — dead serious.



Dr. William Zak
Photo by Jeff Apple

This, his second book, not only has expanded his thinking on drama, but caused him to embrace even more firmly the campus community he called home for 24 years.

Honors students speak in San Francisco

Carrie Miller
Flyer Staff Writer

During the weekend of October 30 through November 4, two members of Salisbury State University's Thomas E. Bellevance Honors Program traveled to San Francisco to participate in the annual National Collegiate Honors Council (NCHC) conference.

Junior Ben Hinceman and sophomore Steve Heller presented the results of their research in a workshop entitled "Anti-Intellectualism in Honors."

Hinceman and Heller's research was an attempt to identify honor students' attitudes about the nature and purposes of Honor Education. The two man team drew their conclusions from two surveys attempting to identify students' attitudes. "We began with the hypothesis that Honors students most often took a utilitarian attitude toward honor's education," said Hinceman. "We suspected that a majority [of honor students] viewed

honors pragmatically as a means to an end, a way of bolstering their resumes, rather than what the program intends to be—an intense and exciting educational experience to enhance students' development as independent thinkers and learners who are able and eager to take an active role in their own intellectual development."

The pair found that their original

hypothesis was not supported by the results of the surveys. Heller stated, "Although we did find certain problematic trends in the program [such as] a lack of involvement beyond the sophomore year, we were able to report that our original hypothesis was not supported by the results of our surveys." The focus of the workshop changed from anti-intellectualism to discussion of the problem of students staying active in honors. Heller said "[This is] a problem shared by most other schools, and we discussed possible solutions. It was very helpful for us and I think our work was helpful to those who attended the session."

Overall, the success of the students' research was very good. Not only was Salisbury State University able to benefit from the study, but schools from all over the country were able to learn. The students also gained invaluable experience in areas of research and presentations. It was quite an honor in itself to be able to participate in such a conference.

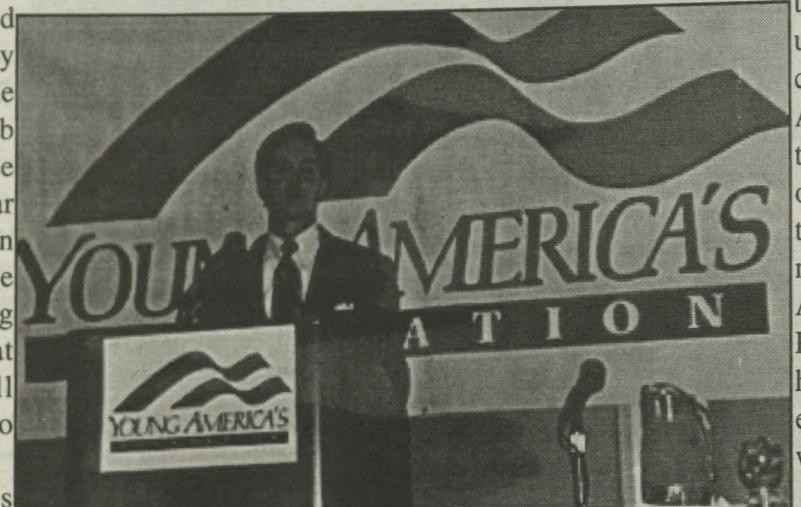
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College Republicans attend conference

Brion McClanahan
Guest Editorial

On November 15, four Salisbury State University students took advantage of a tremendous opportunity. "When I looked at the keynote speakers and benefits, I had to go," senior Chrissy Burke stated. Four members of the SSU College Republican Club traveled to Richmond, Virginia to see Oliver North, Ralph Reed and Star Parker at the 1996 Action Conference sponsored by the Freedom Alliance and Young America's Foundation. Lodging at the four star Omni Hotel and all meals were paid for by these two groups.

SSU College Republican's Vice President, Jack Gunther, summed up the trip by simply stating, "It was awesome!" In a whirlwind of activity, all four students moved from conference to conference on Friday and Saturday, soaking up the latest techniques for fighting liberalism on college campuses. Oliver North opened the event with a stirring speech on Friday night. He brought the more than three-hundred college students to their feet on countless occasions, and riles the patriotic sentiment in every student there by continuously challenging young Americans to



Ralph Reed, executive director of Christian Coalition.
Photo courtesy of College Republicans

the liberal history lesson. Additionally, Dr. Ralph Reed the executive director of the Christian Coalition, spurred students to action and felt the election was not lost in November. He cited a growing number of grass roots conservative organizations and an increasingly conservative Senate as the true measure of the political atmosphere in America. "I really enjoyed Dr. Reed's speech. He is a young, energetic, articulate man and a great

American!" exclaimed Burke.

In a climactic end, former drug addict and welfare mother, Star Parker, electrified the audience with a scathing attack of welfare. Calling the federal government "pimps," and welfare recipients "whores," Parker called for the complete abolition of welfare. She urged communities to take control of the charity business and pleaded for all Americans, regardless of race, to work together to challenge federal usurpations of individual rights. She thundered the theme of a unified America, and spoke not as a black woman, but as an American. Annmarie Warren lauded Parker stating, "Starr Parker was the highlight of my trip. She is a shining example of the strong conservative women's leadership America processes."

SSU College Republicans President Brion McClanahan said, "Overall, I think we met our goals as a group in coming down here. This event gave us some publicity and a chance to get SSU students involved outside of campus. We plan on doing more of these activities and we want many more people to come on our next road trip January 10 - 12. I think we all had a great time."

Both M. Stanton Evans' speech and Star Parker's speech will be shown on C-Span in the upcoming weeks.

New York is a magic winter wonderland

Heather Crutchfield
News Editor

The 1996 holiday season is upon us. For many this is a time for giving, love, family and sharing. At least, that is how we reflect on the most hectic time of the year. In reality, the holidays mean buying, spending, pushing and shoving for that last Yule Log at K-Mart and risking life and limb for a parking space over a half mile from the nearest mall entrance.

Worse than this annual routine generally confined to one's home town, is the hell that is New York City between Thanksgiving and January 2. Radio City Music Hall's Christmas Spectacular causes traffic re-routing, Broadway is clogged with limousines and taxi cabs, shops are jammed

with shoppers from around the world and everyone is trying to absorb the madness that is December in New York City.

Students around campus are a-buzz with anticipation of shopping trips, club trips and family journeys to the city of liberty during this holiday season. What could seem better than doing some gift shopping in FAO Schwartz on Fifth Avenue or Broadway New York on 44th Street?

Staying home, reading a book, bonding with family... There are so many things that surpass trying to dodge cabbies and the infamous "New York Drivers" that dominate city streets, plodding through crosswalks in what appears as mass exodus and pushing to the front of the store to make an over priced purchase.

Yet there is something magical about



OPINION section

"Abortion pill" gets FDA approval but not without reservations

Kenna Brigham
Editor in Chief

misoprostol. A follow-up exam is performed two weeks after the second drug is administered.

Adverse affects seen in clinical trials include painful contractions of the uterus, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, pelvic pain and spasm and headache. A very small percentage of patients in the clinical trials required hospitalization, surgical treatment, and/or blood transfusions.



According to Dr. Wayne Bardin, a former consultant to the Population Council, of the 200,000 women who have taken RU-486, 21 children have been born; one had deformities that led to the baby's death; and two others were born with mild limb defects.

The New York based Population Council is sponsoring the drug, chemically known as mifepristone. The use of the drug, in combination with misoprostol, is only effective during early pregnancy and under close medical supervision. The regimen used in the required clinical trials consisted of three tablets (600 milligrams) of oral mifepristone followed two days later by two tablets (400 micrograms) of oral

The Population Council recently announced that the RU-486 pill, affectionately known as the "abortion pill," has been conditionally approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The expected endorsement of the drug by the FDA could have major side effects, even at Salisbury State University.

SSU's Student Health Services (SHS) facility currently has a means of combating unsafe sex and while they do not offer clinical abortions, they do make available the Morning After Pill (MAP). MAP is a birth control pill taken within 72 hours of an episode of unprotected intercourse to reduce the chance of pregnancy, according to an SHS information brochure.

RU-486 and MAP are different drugs. Director of Student Health Services Jennifer Berkman stated, "[RU-486] is not the pill that we use here on campus. There are significant differences in terms of side effects and danger to the individual."

She continued to explain the MAP can prevent pregnancy, but it is not an instrument for abortion. Berkman stated, "[MAP] is more in a gray area. With the [RU-486] pill, the person has made a distinct decision to abort an already fertilized egg. With the [MAP] students may or may not be doing that because we don't know where they are in their fertilization."

Berkman guesstimated that SHS sees one-fourth of the people on campus who are concerned with a possible pregnancy. She stated, "We give approximately 150 pregnancy tests a semester. We average one unplanned pregnancy a week, probably 13 to 15 a semester." According to Clinical Director Brenda Hooks, SHS administers the MAP twice a month. She stressed that individual health care providers may not feel comfortable with the ramifications of administering the MAP.

SSU's SHS staff has not discussed the option of offering RU-486 to students. Hooks announced, "We wouldn't [carry RU-486]. We would refer students to an outside agency just because of the risk involved."

SHS has a great relationship with Planned Parenthood, according to Berkman. SHS also does a lot of contraceptive counseling with students. Berkman urged, "Just make an appointment." The "Three [condoms] for Free" program is popular among students. SHS also presents Wellness Programs. Berkman makes presentations to those groups inviting her to speak. She plans to include information on RU-486 in her presentations.

Americans will be about the same as a surgical abortion.

At 17 sites around the U.S., 2,100 women participated in RU-486 experiments for a number of reasons. Reasoning included tests to support European data, to test the effectiveness of the mifepristone/misoprostol drug combination for up to 63 days of amenorrhea or the absence of menstruation (French tests only examined up to 49 days), to gauge acceptability of nonsurgical abortion on American women and to learn how the drugs might be offered in an American medical setting.

Studies showed that the drug caused a complete abortion 95.5 percent of the times used. If approved, RU-486 would become the first legal alternative to surgical abortion for American women.

In theory, any properly trained physician, working in a hospital, clinic or office setting, with access to backup facilities or the ability to treat incomplete abortion medical emergencies will be able to provide mifepristone. These conditions would allow abortions to be more accessible and permit women to avoid the emotionally charged atmosphere of an abortion clinic.

If approved, RU-486 would change the face of abortion issues in America forever.

*Information gathered from releases or World Wide Web pages of the Population Council or the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Letters to the Editor

Vandals take blame

To the SSU Community:

On October 23, 1996, we, the undersigned, were responsible for the theft and destruction of seven signs taken from university property. We now realize that these actions were irrational, senseless, thoughtless and just plain stupid.

We sincerely regret partaking in this kind of behavior and would like to use this forum to apologize to the administration, faculty and student body of SSU, as well as to residents in the surrounding community of Salisbury.

We hope that our actions have not done irreparable harm to anyone, or that they have not permanently damaged the reputation of the university.

Once again, our apologies.

Mark Maguire
Keith Chesla
Kirk Chesla
Jeremy McDonough
David Blades
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Judicial elections

To the Editor:

Judges need to be protected from the whim of popular fancy but not from evolution of the popular ethos. That's why we give the long terms in Maryland but why we also elect against them.

In the last half-century, evolution of the popular ethos has quickened, and we have thus begun to elect judges to shorter terms and make them retire at seventy. A bid to increase this retirement age was, two years ago, rejected by the voters.

In the election a few weeks ago, the voters added four more lay people to the Commission on Judicial Disabilities which, unfortunately, still has lawyers and judges as its majority.

These two elections reflect that the popular ethos now requires judges to show respect for women. And for the environment: green groups need "standing" in courts and boards. And for non-custodial fathers-who need more access to their children. And for crime victims.

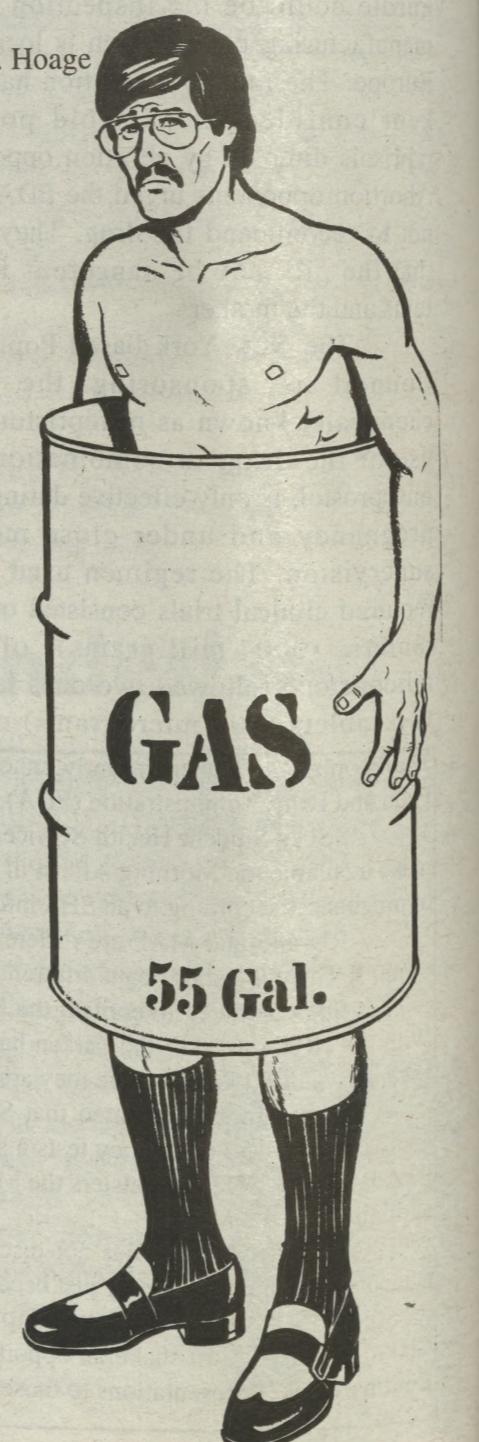
Circuit judges now serve fifteen-year terms and run in contestable elections, which

means they are automatically re-elected unless some lawyer is foolhardy enough to run against them. District judges now serve ten-year terms but never face the voters. In fact, they must be appointed to additional terms unless someone can prove some heinous crime against them.

A quarter-century ago, we did the right thing. We reduced Court of Appeals judges and Court of Special Appeals judges for eight-year terms and on District Court judges for six-year terms.

That judge on the Eastern Shore who refuses to jail people who fill wetlands has got to go. Wetlands aren't swamps anymore. The popular ethos has evolved.

J.A. Hoage



TIRED OF TAKING A BEATING..?

Communications internship in capital

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experience that I will never forget."

Finally, the Institute on Political Journalism is not a conventional program of writing and editing, but an examination of issues facing political journalists in Washington. Interns work at print or broadcast media outlets, or the public affairs/press offices of congressional or federal agencies. The course work includes economics for journalists and ethical perspectives on the media. Students in this program have heard lectures from Morton Kondracke, editor in chief of *Roll Call* and Brit Hume of ABC News.

The FAS has been organizing these internships for 26 years with the goal of

educating young American leaders about the institutions that help to maintain our country's freedom and democracy.

More than 4,000 students from all 50 states and 40 foreign nations have taken part in the programs. For a student hoping to shape or cover public policy, the opportunity to live and work in Washington, D.C., the number one news town in the world, should be seized. Not only will a student experience policy making firsthand, they will return to SSU with nine credits towards graduation.

For more information, contact the FAS at 1-800-741-6964 or visit their web site at <http://www.dciinternships.org>.

Caught in between: College me versus home me

Erica Praedin
Human Affairs Editor

You're sandwiched between Aunt Betsy and Uncle Bob at the dinner table passing candied yams and handing over the celery stuffing. Suddenly, you get the overwhelming urge to hurl the turkey clear across the room at your cousin Sammy who hasn't stopped yapping about the mold he grew for his latest science project.

You've guessed it. It's that time of year again. It's time to sit down for a meal with the family, watch some football on the couch after feasting on holiday dishes and hang out with your relatives, regardless of how annoying they may be. Welcome to another holiday season.

For many students, the idea of going home for the holidays is a familiar one, but for a lot of first year students, it means added stress and anxiety about what to expect when they return. After spending several months away from a house and family setting, students will be bringing home a college lifestyle different from what they had while living with mom and dad.

It is possible, however, to enjoy the festivities with your family without strangling each other by the end of the holidays. In fact, if you have the advantage of knowing a few hints to help you avoid such trauma, you'll be sure to ask for seconds at the dinner table-

even if you're convinced your relatives are from another planet.

When you experience your visit home, you will most likely encounter a clashing of ideas between your parents' expectations and the lack of authority you've grown to love while away from home. At school, there are no real rules. You can go out whenever you want, stay out as late as you like and come home without worrying who will be waiting up for you. When you go home and are staying with your parents after living a college life of no restraints, things may be a bit different.

Since students will be staying in their parents' home, parents have the right to hold certain expectations of their children. SSU's Student Counseling Services advises first year students to demonstrate their ability to handle things in an "adult like" manner. If you do your laundry at school, for example, offer to do your laundry at home. As your parents see and realize you've learned to take care of duties they used to do for you, they're more likely to ease up on their house rules. When you show a willingness to compromise, they will be more likely to do the same. You can let your mother do your laundry if she insists upon it, but make an effort to show her you don't mind doing it yourself.

Keep in mind doing laundry and other tasks are only part of your job to make things run smoothly while you are home. In order to

avoid bumping heads with mom or dad, you should plan the battle ahead of time. In other words, talk about it with your family before you go home.

Picture this. You've just arrived after a three hour drive from school. You're finally out of the car and the only thing you can think of is finding your friends from high school so you can get together and catch up on lost time. Mom, on the other hand, has another agenda in mind. She wants you to pick up the ham, get your brother from school and take the dog to the vet while she keeps an eye on the turkey in the oven. So far, this is not your idea of a homecoming.

Communication is the key to alleviating such unnecessary headaches. Students should talk with parents ahead of time in order to establish a general "vacation plan" which compromises both the parents' and students' intentions.

And what about those friends you spent those formative, high school years with? Because college is a time of rapid growth and change in your life, it's likely your friends from high school have chosen to do different things in their lives without you. Such dramatic changes might make you feel distanced from them because you haven't had each other to lean on for support through this period.

Your high school friends may not even have the same appearance

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tons of syrup!

Is there anything American that is actually an adaptation from your country? Cross country skiing, Norwegian wool sweaters and the paper clip is a Norwegian invention.

What do you like about Americans? Their openness and friendliness.

What do you like about America? All the opportunities [it offers].

What do you like about SSU? Some of my

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International Student Profile: Birgitte van der Heijden from Norway



Office of International Students

Country of origin: Norway. People who have visited Norway say it is very clean and feels healthy. My country has fjords, mountains, and the midnight sun which, for several months during the summer, is up for 24 hours.

Length of time in the United States: Three semesters.

What was hard for you to adjust to when you first came to America? People I have never met in my life would say, "Hi! How are you doing?" or "What's

up?" Do they really mean that? [I thought,] should I stop and respond?

Concentrations in education: A combination of law school and communication arts.

Languages spoken: Norwegian and English.

Describe a favorite food from home you can make here. Norwegian salmon dishes or the most common part of dinner in Norway, boiled potatoes!

What is your favorite American food? Pancakes with bacon and

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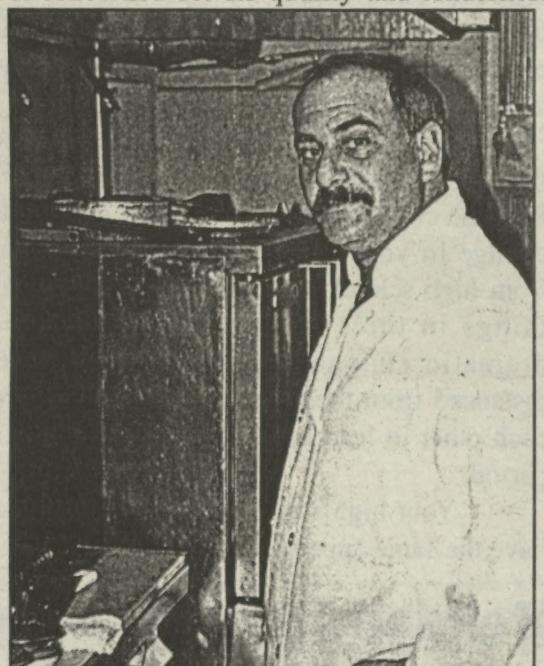
Kobi's offers intimate dining and sociable sports bar

Miranda Buck
Flyer Staff Writer

New restaurants come and go in Salisbury without the attention or notice of area diners. One restaurant that's worthy of Salisbury's attention and sure to widen the mouths of hungry visitors is Kobi's steak house located at the former Montana's location in Beaglin station.

Kobi's features a dining room and sports bar with both offering a most pleasant experience to their patrons. The dining room menu offers full course meal options including unique appetizers, entrees, decadent desserts and an expansive wine list.

The Black Angus steak, a certified beef renowned for its quality and tenderness,



Chef in the kitchen of Kobi's.
Photo by Carl Cooksey

is Kobi's specialty. Steak lovers can revel in prepared with Black Angus Beef or try the Delmonico, filet mignon or center cut strip popular Hot Italian Cold Cut sandwich. guaranteed to satiate those carnal cravings.

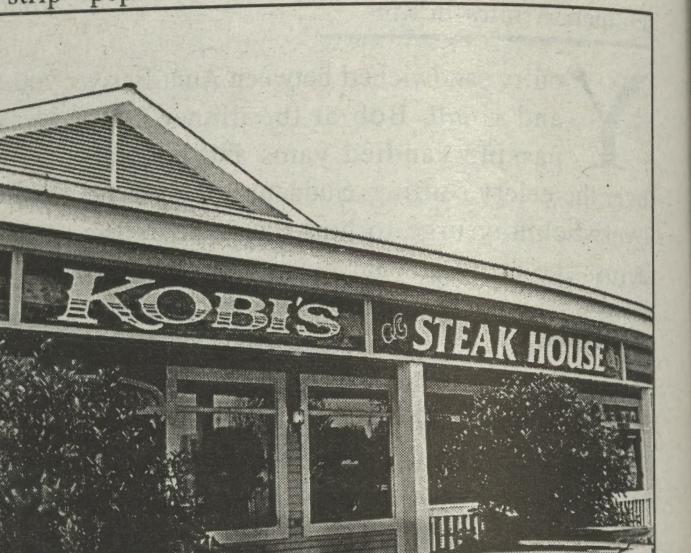
Under the scrutiny of another Flyer taste test, the filet mignon confirmed its reputation with its tenderness, succulent flavor and unique Black Angus quality. SSU student and amateur taste tester Jim Mitchell remarked, "Even though I'm typically a non-steak [eating] guy, I found the steak to be pretty good."

In addition to sampling the steak entree, we were invited to taste a shrimp and oyster marinade over linguine, Kobi's special of the day. The sauce was seasoned perfectly and was enhanced by the fresh tomatoes and linguine cooked to the impeccable tenderness.

While we were eating, Manager Greg Harrison, stopped by our table several times throughout our meal to see that we were accommodated and content. Our waiter also kept our drinks full, table clean and continually offered fresh bread.

We concluded the overall atmosphere of the dining room to be ideal for special occasions such as a first date, anniversary or graduation dinner. The setting is intimate and the quality of the food and service speaks for itself.

If this eloquent style of eating isn't within your budget or interest, the sports bar next door offers a fun atmosphere and the same tasty food in snack form. Patrons can enjoy roast beef sandwiches and hamburgers in Salisbury.



Salisbury's latest restauraut, Kobi's Steak House.
Photo by Carl Cooksey

Daily Happy Hour offers \$1.50 rail drinks, 99 cent Bud Lite drafts and two for one imports on Tuesdays. If you stop in on a Thursday or Friday night, there's bound to be a live blues or rock band for a minimal cover charge. Saturday night features an acoustic performance with no cover. Since their opening on November 1, bands such as Blues Junction, Black Horse and Grass Daddy have appeared, packing a full house every night.

For being a new restaurant in town, Kobi's has a lot to offer for every kind of dining interest. With the unbelievably delicious food and pleasant atmosphere, as well as social opportunities on the weekend, Kobi's is sure to become a new hot spot in Salisbury.

Preparing new students for the long haul home

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as they did before starting college. Often, when students leave for school, they take the opportunity to try outlandish hairstyles, clothing and ideas in order to establish a sense of independence, proving to others their ability to live on their own. It's important for friends to realize growing apart is natural and necessary during the transition from adolescence to adulthood.

If all of this doesn't sound like much of a fun vacation from school, you're not alone. Holiday stress must also be dealt with

as the season nears because you will be away from the friends you've come to grow close with at school.

Fortunately, stress is easy to combat if you have the knowledge it takes to get you through these stressful times. Unlike your Aunt Lucy who just loves to pinch your cheeks every time she sees you, you can't remove stress by running away from it. Since stress is a bodily reaction to physical or emotional demands, it won't go away without getting the attention it deserves.

Are you prepared to face a holiday season with Aunt Betsy and Uncle Bob? Hopefully, with a lot of understanding and patience, these helpful hints will help you cope with the onslaught of holiday visitors instead of battling the urge to start a food fight at the dinner table.

Learn to combat stress with plenty of sleep, a balanced diet, exercise and most

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Falco's short stories in "Acid" a hit

Miranda Buck
Flyer Staff Writer

As a contemporary fiction writer, Edward Falco explores many venues in expressing modern issues. His collection of short stories entitled *Acid* won the 1995 Richard Sullivan Prize from the University of Notre Dame. His other works include: *Winter in Florida*, a novel that explores the issue of violence in our society, a collection of short stories entitled *Plato at Scratch Daniel's and Other Stories* and his latest novel *High Falls*. In addition, Falco has another novel, *A Dream with Demons*, and a collection of poems called *Sea Island* adapted to hypertext, a form of media designed for personal computers.

Dr. John Wenke, SSU English professor, believes Falco is an important

Norwegian exchange

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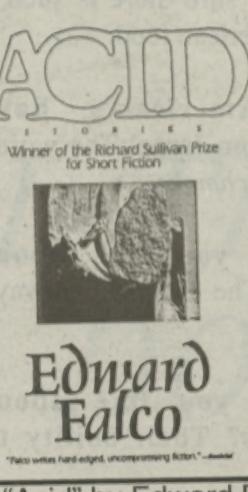
professors have really been there for me and supportive. Because of this, my stay here has become a life changing experience.

Interests and hobbies: To live, to think, to be!

Comment on making friends with Americans: It's been a good experience overall. This past summer I had an SSU student visit me in Norway.

Would you recommend studying abroad? Why? Yes. [Students should] learn about a different society on a day to day basis. [It's a good way to] get a language for "free" and leave all your bad habits at home so you can start fresh with new ones.

Cross-cultural anecdote: I was in a professor's office one day when we were approached by someone asking for a quarter. I stepped aside to give them time to talk privately only to find out that a quarter meant 25 cents. For us Norwegians, it means a quarter of an hour!



Cover of "Acid" by Edward Falco.

contemporary writer. "His tales present vibrant and rich accounts of the comic-tragic intensities of our world," he said. Falco's short story "Acid", featured in the short story compilation by the same title, is a prime example of this rich intensity.

In a fully descriptive narrative, Falco creates two characters, Jerome and Alice, who deal with issues of identity.

Jerome is an ex-jazz musician who became heavily involved with drugs and sex while enjoying the fast scene of New York City in his younger days. He becomes a religious convert who has a family and owns a Christian bookstore called "The Living Word."

Across the street from "The Living Word" is a record store where 22 year old manager Alice works.

Alice

flirtatiously befriends 52 year old Jerome and visits his shop daily.

One day, Alice decides she wants to drop acid and tells Jerome she wants him to be with her when she does because of his past experiences with the drug. Jerome is faced with a dilemma. He has adopted a new identity as a religious husband and father, but he still harbors an interest in Alice that reminds him of his past lifestyle. Finally, Jerome realizes he must choose one of the identities.

"Acid" is intriguing because it reminds us that identities are complex and can overlap in ways that might seem contradictory. For example, Jerome and Alice are very different, but they are drawn to each other because of an overlap in their identities that cannot be explained.

Other short stories in the collection are equally intense and thought provoking. "The Artist," selected for inclusion in *The Best American Short Stories* by Jane Smiley, is a thrilling story about Jim, a

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International Student Profile: Yoav Wachsman from Israel



Yoav Waschman of Israeli.
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Country of origin: Israel. No country in the world gets as much news coverage as Israel (and that's certainly not a compliment.) Israel is famous for its powerful military which is constantly on the watch for invasion from (outside of the country) as well as

within. Israel's capital, Jerusalem, is considered to be holy for Christians, Jews and Muslims. It is also one of the causes for the ongoing conflict between the Israelis and Arabs.

Length of stay in United States:
Seven years.

Major: I'm completing a BA in economics, and I hope to become a development economist for an international agency.

Languages spoken: English, Hebrew and Spanish. To know another language means one must think, not only speak, in another language.

Interests: Scuba diving, hiking and writing.

Favorite food: Israeli chocolate. (If you buy it

from Giant, you'll know why.)

Favorite American food: Other than french fries and bacon, I'm not entirely sure there is such a thing as American food.

Things American's have adopted from Israel: The words *hutzpa* and *schmoke*.

What do you like about America? The endless highways and roads.

What do you like about Americans? Their ability to organize.

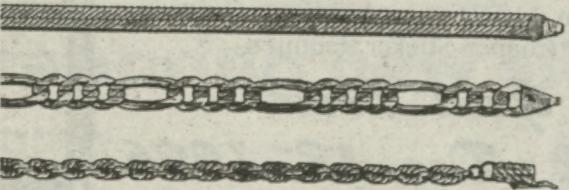
What do you like about SSU? A lot of things, but mostly that it is student oriented and constantly progressing.

Comment on making friends with Americans. Americans need their personal space. Don't try to get too close too soon.

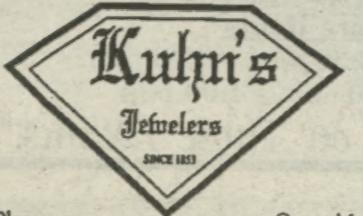
Comment on studying abroad. I think studying abroad (and learning a foreign language) should be requirements for getting a degree. We are all going to graduate into an international economy. Only those who understand this world will succeed.

Comment on diversity. The administration has done a great deal to introduce diversity to SSU, and I am grateful for that. But many minority students isolate themselves which prevents interaction across the board.

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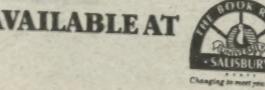
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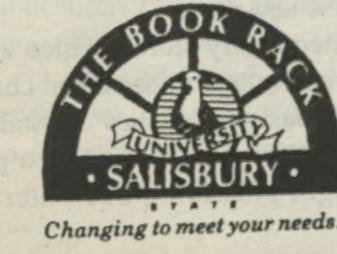
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Country revivalists make noise in Nashville

John Duffy
Flyer Staff Writer

As the nouveau roots-rock movement falls into disarray, questions rise as to who will continue to provide an alternative to the mainstream country sound. Minneapolis' Jayhawks are no more, and although Wilco's new album "Being There" is there best yet, they have taken an anti-country stance. So who is left to fight for the soul of country music?

BR5-49, a quintet of eccentric musicians deeply rooted in country music's traditions, may prove to be country music's saviors.

Formed out of Nashville's seedy South Broadway bar scene that now attracts more of

country's hardcore traditionalists, BR5-49 play with a punk attitude and country music of the 40's and 60's interlaced with equally retro originals.

In the last ten years, Nashville's rise in popularity has meant that radio air play, record promotion and artist development are controlled by middle aged consultants in cushy offices who determine when and what fans listen to. They forsake originality for attractive, non-threatening acts prepackaged for a suburbanized middle class audience. Nashville restaurants like Uncle Bob's Catfish Cabin have been replaced with popular restaurants such as the Hard Rock Cafe and Planet Hollywood reflecting the city's new face. "Country" has been reduced to a marketing demographic, and the musical identity it supposes itself to represent has had its soul sacrificed to appeal to everyone.



BR5-49 left to right: "Smilin" Jay McDowell, Chuck Mead, Gary Bennett, Don Herron and "Hawk" Shaw Wilson.

Photo courtesy of Artista Nashville

Songwriter and lead singer Chuck Mead spoke about Nashville's changing music scene in March with *USA Today*. "[There are] two camps [in Nashville.] ...guys trying to be Lynyrd Skynyrd and ...guys trying to be the Eagles." Neither camp, however, seems to be getting it right.

On their debut, self-titled album, these Nashville cats swing with doghouse bass and jazz tuned pedal steel. BR5-49 is made up of five covers and six originals that are difficult to distinguish from one another were it not for the songwriter

who was responsible for the California country movement 25 years ago that spawned acts such as the Eagles and Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young.

Oddly enough, none of BR5-49's members are from the Music City. From places like Lawrence, Kansas and Oregon, the five came together out of a love for what the city had given them. McDowell elaborated, "When we five got together on stage, we realized there was no one stopping us...no one was going to stop us from having a good time."

But while they're having a good time on stage, fans of BR5-49 are relying on the band's sound to save the face of non-traditional country music. Though you may not hear them over Top 40 radio stations, this band's unique sound resonates through the ears of an alternative country crowd already pleased with what they hear.

songwriter

"Acid" trip continues

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Edward Falco, "Acid" author.
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credits on the sleeve. Songwriters Chuck Mead and Gary Bennett contribute with songs filled with longing and humor. "We take our influences from everything from Bob Willis and Merle Haggard to Bob Marley and The Clash," said slap-bass player 'Smilin' Jay McDowell.

Decked out in string ties, overalls, snap brim hats and leather jackets, they appear as odd as the diverse crowd they attract- equal parts young punks, silver haired matured couples and college students.

The only serious moment is when they tackle Gram Parsons' classic "Hickory Wind," a southern anthem by the man

become a twisted, drug dealing murderer who hides a dead cop in a freezer in his living room. Jim finally consents to do so but finds an interesting turn of events. At the end, Jim is left reflecting on his life and thinking about his family coming up with a plot for his new movie.

Through these contemporary stories, Falco explores the rich human psyche through three dimensional characters with a realistic edge. The consistent themes of establishing identity, resurfacing of past lifestyles and finding a place in society make for a thought provoking and entertaining reading experience.

Dr. Lee May honored as Outstanding College Professor

John Duffy
Flyer Staff Writer

able to argue his test of the problem, and myself nor any of my colleagues in the department could find anything wrong with

Dr. Lee May admits his teaching methods are a little unorthodox. There may have been times he wondered if he was doing the right thing by employing the Socratic method and increasing student responsibility to his sections. Despite this or more certainly because of this, May has been voted one of three honorees as Outstanding College Professor of 1996 by the Maryland Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

"Sometimes you wonder if you may be shirking your duty [by] not acting as a traditional lecturer," May confessed recently, but he's also voiced his concerns about the autocratic environment which pervades business and government and usually exists in the educational arena. May asked, "Where is the logic in attempting to educate students to act as responsible citizens of a democracy when they are taught within the confines of a dictatorial classroom?"

May takes this view a step further by devoting a large portion of his classes to discussion and student presentation creating an outlet for creativity and open discussion. The first day of a new class is devoted to discussion of the syllabus and policies, the second, to voting on whether the students agree with these policies.

The abundance of leverage in the student's corner is kept in check by an honor system May says works well. "It's based on the students keeping each other and themselves fair, making sure no one does any unauthorized work," said May, "It's not about telling on each other." At Wake Forest, where May did his undergraduate work, this kind of honor system was campus wide.

In addition to his 27 years of unique teaching, May has been published in several journals on such diverse topics as women in mathematics and a statistical analysis of the seven game baseball playoff series versus a five game series to determine which method is fairer. One of his most memorable publications came as the result of a student's incorrect answer on a test.

Howard Seidel was a returning student in 1990 who got an opposite answer to the 'correct' answer on a series problem. "He was



Math instructor Dr. Lee May named Outstanding College Professor for 1996.
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eventually got their work published in Problems and Resource Issues in Math Undergraduate Studies (PRIMUS), a journal devoted to just such the research May and Seidel were doing. The two also presented their findings at a mathematics conference. Seidel, now a Ph.D. candidate at Texas A&M University, remembers the work with great appreciation for May's mentoring. "Without his encouragement, I never would have had the experience of presenting and publishing the work."

Dr. Donald Cathcart, interim dean of the Henson School of Science and Technology was one of those who nominated May for the award. Cathcart sees May as exceeding the image of an ideal professor. "He might well be used as a model when we try to define what we seek in a faculty member."

Although May has received many congratulatory notes from his colleges, he has maintained a humble attitude and a sense of humor about his recent recognition. "We'll have to wait and see if demand for my classes goes up," he said, "Some days class may be pretty dull and ho-hum as they sometimes are, and I really wonder if I deserved this award."

his answer other than it was not what was expected." May and Seidel examined the problem awhile and then gave up. Seidel was given full credit on his test.

Nine months later, Seidel and May began examining the problem again and

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SPORTSsection

Lincoln Lions win, become king of the Classic SSU's perfect record is no more

Sam Atkinson
Flyer Staff Writer

The Optimist Gull Classic lived up to its name as the Men's Championship game last Saturday between the Lincoln University Lions and the Salisbury State University Sea Gulls was a true Classic.

With 2.7 seconds left to go in the game SSU had one more shot to win. Down by one, the Sea Gulls inbounded the ball to their 5'11" guard Eric Prendeville who quickly passed the ball past mid-court to Shawn Johnson who threw up a desperation three pointer, way beyond the arch. As Johnson's shot sailed left of the basket so did Salisbury's undefeated season. Lincoln captured their first Gull Classic Championship, 91-90.

SSU was ranked 22nd in Division III and had a 12-game winning streak on their home court at Maggs Center. SSU won the Championship game last year against the same Lions, 108-95. The Sea Gulls had to settle for runnerup for the ninth time in the tournament's 20 year history. The Gulls defeated the Mustangs of Villa Julie 103-70 to advance to the Championship round.

Lincoln came into the tournament with a 2-3 record, a bad start for the Lions. Lincoln beat the Chowan Braves, led by All-Tournament selection Herman Jordan who compiled 63 points in two games, a day earlier with an 84-76 victory, to move on to the

Championship Round.

The win is a boost to a young Lion pack now 4-3, and a wake-up call to the Sea Gull flock who falls to 5-1. "We needed this win so our team could be recognized," commented Tournament M.V.P. Darrell Lewis who had 21 points and eight rebounds.

Sophomore Tarron Richardson the big man down low for the Lions added 20 points of his own and grabbed nine boards. "It's great because they (SSU) are Division III ranked, so this make us look good," said Richardson, a two-time All-Tournament selection.

The Sea Gulls had two of their own All-Tournament selections in senior Bill Lancaster and junior John DeRichie. Lancaster had a double-double with 19 points and a game leading 15 rebounds. DeRichie did most of his scoring from beyond the arc as he nailed five, three-pointers on route to his 18 points. "I thought we played very hard, very inspired we made some mental mistakes and it cost us near the end. I'm pleased with the effort. I think in a loss you learn from the things you did wrong," affirmed Head Coach Ward Lambert, now in his 27th season at SSU.

Lincoln who has six freshman and five sophomores on their roster are young and look to LeShawn Rollins the lone senior. Rollins showed his leadership in the championship game as he led both squads with 24 points. "His leadership is real important, but most of all his strong play. He's the backbone of this

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MC Sloth makes splash with in the water and on the air

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become a distance swimmer. This is a huge transition for a swimmer that could have destroyed his career, but instead Lloyd has become a great distance swimmer and is still improving.

"When I first began swimming distance, I wasn't too good. I didn't get too many points, but I worked hard always giving 100% in order to become a better swimmer. I am now scoring more points in meets and helping the team," stated Lloyd.

"Doug is always improving. The one thing that is holding him back is the fact that there isn't another distance swimmer that can push him in practice," added Coach

Stephenson.

Lloyd's best race occurred last year in a meet against Marymount, when fellow swimmer Matt Raschka told him that he had better win the 500 freestyle or else pay the consequences. "I started swimming and the guy next to me took off. By the middle of the race he had a lap and a half lead lead, but I didn't give up. I continued to fight. I caught him and ended up winning the race by a lap." Lloyd raced the same swimmer again this year and dominated the race leading the whole

Whether Lloyd is leading the team with his motivational speeches, swimming hard, working at WSUR, or bring the loudest cheering person on the pool deck, he is always trying to help the people around him perform better. Lloyd is a perfect example of a great captain: He is a great motivator and leader. He gives his team the following advice. "No matter how hard and long you swim and practice, you need to find your passion for the sport in order to be successful."

SPORTSsection

Gulls mens' swim team sunk by Gophers

Aaron Talasnik
Flyer Staff Writer

On Saturday November 23, the SSU swim team traveled to Goucher to battle the Gophers, a tough team the Gulls were hoping to defeat. However, they were unable to ground the Gophers, who won the men's meet by a score of 107-93 and the women's meet 112-94.

The Gulls came into the meet with a lot of enthusiasm. Although they were trailing in points throughout the competition, they wouldn't give up, pouring their hearts into every race.

The Gulls started the meet by taking first and third in the women's 400yd Medley Relay, and first and second in the men's 400yd Medley Relay. It looked as if the

Gulls were going to upset the Gophers, but after the Medley Relays, it was all Gophers.

In the men's meet, the Gulls hung with the Gophers until the 200yd Backstroke, where the Gophers transformed a slim eight point lead to a fifteen point lead at 81-66. Highlighting the men's meet two, three, four finishes in the 50yd freestyle by Jeff Waltz, Mike Nusbaum, and Randy Switzer; the 100yd free by Waltz, Nusbaum, and Dan Hutton; and the 200yd Fly by Mike Mazella, Brian Mazella, and Patrick Harrington.

Freshman Matt Dodd broke the school record in the 200yd Individual Medley with a 2:14.63. "It feels great to break a record in my freshman year. I know that now there will be some expectations of me, but I will do my best to live up to them and break some more records," stated Matt Dodd.

In the women's meet the Gulls battled and stayed within six points until the 50yd free where the Gophers sprinted out to a big lead that wouldn't be caught. Highlighting the women's meet were a two, three, fourth finish in the 50yd freestyle by Teresa Piekarski, Susan LaFond, and Michele Klaczak and a one- two finish in the freestyle relay. The

women's team also broke three school records. Freshman Piekarski broke the school record in the 50yd free with a 26.28 and the 100yd free with a 57.91.

"I was ecstatic about the records, but the most important thing to me is that the team swam well and that we continue to swim well," added Piekarski. Ali



Marianne Buffum heads for finish line against Gophers.
Photo by Carl Cooksey

Dispenzieri broke the other record, her record was in the 1000yd free.

Although the Gulls lost it was still a good meet for them. "Going into the meet I knew it was going to be a tough meet. I went through the line up before the meet and figured out that we swam the way we are supposed to we would lose the men's meet 110-91 and the women's meet 112-96. The final scores were close to what I predicted. I was pleased with the team's effort, we continued to swim fast," stated Coach Stephenson.

The loss to the Gophers dropped the men's record to 1-3 and the women's record 2-3.

After the Thanksgiving break it was the Gulls traveled to Marymount on December 3. The Gulls came into the meet shorthanded,

with the men lacking the services of Brian Grover and Joe Bergvin. The women's team was without Jessica Faircloth, Shannon Jones and Teresa Piekarski. Even though they were short on swimmers both the men's and women's teams went into this meet hoping to come away with victories. Unfortunately things did not go as planned. The men lost by

six points and the women's team tied 99-99. The swim team gave it their all throughout the entire meet, but couldn't overcome the deficit. Leading the way for the women's team with first place finishes were Lafond in the 50yd and 100yd freestyle, Jen Herzig in the 100yd breaststroke, and the 200 freestyle relay. In the men's meet it was Lloyd in the 1000yd free, Seri Bryant in the 100yd breaststroke and the 200yd free relay with first place finishes. Freshman Dodd and sophomore Amy Howard broke school records in 400 individual medley.

The women's next meet is at 2:00 pm January 25 at home. The men's next meet is at home on January 27 at 6:00 pm.

Gulls' 12 game home win streak snapped

Mens' basketball *continued from page 16*

Colin Exelby. It wasn't enough as Lincoln converted two free throws in the closing moments to hold on to the one point lead.

"We have a young team, it's a big boost to our young program right now. Especially to win here against Salisbury, a respectable ranked team, and we've never won here. This is only the second time in school history we have beaten them," said Byars on his team's surprising upset. Lincoln has the doors open

for an invite to next years tournament to defend their title. "I think we have a good chance to defend our title next year," commented freshman James Brown who had 16 points and "got on up" for eight boards.

Salisbury made some mistakes in the game but they shouldn't dwell on the loss for a long time. Once the Capitol Athletic Conference schedule begins, the Sea Gulls will try to soar over their opponents and find themselves once again in the NCAA Tournament. "We'll learn, I don't like to lose but we will learn from it," said a determined Lambert.

SPORTSsection

Men's Rugby: National Champions, no respect despite back-to-back Mid-Atlantic titles

Sam Atkinson
Flyer Staff Writer

It's a combination of skills of soccer, finesse of lacrosse, and the hard hitting of football. It's very popular in Europe and is growing in the United States but hasn't quite caught on here at Salisbury State University, this sport is rugby.

The men's rugby club team at SSU once again went unnoticed in claiming their second straight Mid-Atlantic Championship. The MAC was held in Princeton, NJ two weeks ago. The Sea Gulls were the number two seed, facing Bucknell, which they defeated 23-5 in the semi-finals. In the championship the Sea Gulls went to battle with the (team name) of Susquenhanah, who were the top seed in the MAC. "It was the hardest game we have played in a while," commented junior Captain John Propper. SSU went on for the 12-7 victory.

Even though this was a step down from last year, when Salisbury captured the Division II National Championship for the first time in over five years, the Sea Gulls are still a force on this side of the Mississippi. The Gulls went undefeated this season and was only scored on once in conference play. They are ranked number one in the East Coast and definitely in the top three in the nation, out of 170 teams. "We have been a force in Division II rugby, everyone knows who we are, we have been asked many, many times to move up to Division I," stated Propper. It's too bad the SSU student body hasn't given the respect

to the rugby team as much as they give to the men's lacrosse. "We would love to be considered a varsity sport," said Propper who would go on to say, "I wish we had more support being a varsity sport would give us more funding, exposure and public support, hopefully."

The team this year was led by Captains Propper a flanker and David Johnson a Senior. The offensive punch came from Scott Kelly a fullback and Tommy Harrington who scored the winning try, a five point touchdown, and was named M.V.P. of the MAC. The Pack, the "big boys", were anchored down by Senior Brad Marsh and junior Jason Barber. "We had a real good team, we are strong, we have a lot of young guys coming up but we are losing a lot of good players to graduation," mentioned Propper. The Gulls lose four key starters on their A-team of 15 players.

The Head Coach of this team is Dr. Robert Davis, who was a "Ruger" himself playing for the Chesapeake men's club. "Our coach is phenomenal, he is one of the best coaches on the East Coast. He is a great motivator and carries tremendous knowledge of the game," praised the three year veteran Propper. Along side Davis are his assistants Dr. Craig Schaffer and History Professor Bart Talbert a former SSU Rugby player.

The SSU rugby club who competes in the Potomac Rugby Union, was established in the late 70's around 1978. Since then stereotypes of rugby players began and are still abundant now a days. "We are not a bunch of misfits which is a typical stereotype

of rugby players," the first year captain Propper remarked. "Obviously, we had some problems last semester, there were some sanctions, but they are off now. Any problems that arise we take care of it," affirmed Propper.

A lot of those people spreading the stereotypes don't understand the game of Rugby. Like the field is called the "Rugby Pitch", a 100 meters long, some what like a football field. The ball is made out of white leather and is more rounder and bigger than a football. A "Ruck" is when a person is tackled and both teams push each other off the ball. A "Scrum" is when eight people on opposing sides come together in conquest of gaining possession of the ball. Besides the "Try" and a two point conversion kick, scoring can be done by a penalty kick worth three points, kind of like a field goal, and a "Drop Goal" is when you drop kick the ball for two points.

The game is started with a kickoff and the offense can only move the ball laterally or kick it forward. There are two-40 minute halves. The attire for a typical "Ruger" is a mouth piece, heavy rugby jersey and shorts, add long knee-high socks and a pair of spikes with 1/4" metal studs and your ready to play.

The future of SSU rugby is undetermined, but looks very positive. Anybody who is interested in playing is encouraged to come out and join and is guaranteed starting time in one way or another. Rugby starts Spring practice in the beginning of February and will start their schedule at the end of that month. All home games are at the "Rugby Pitch", across the street from the football field, admission is free.

Rugby is a game of who wants to win more. SSU Rugby wants to keep winning championships and fans. "SSU rugby is one of the best in the nation and people are missing it," declared Propper.

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SPORTSsection

Sea Gulls end with a win, but still fall short of expectations Football season summary

Sam Atkinson
Flyer Staff Writer

The Salisbury State University Football team, 4-5, closed their season two weeks ago with a 51-10 rout of Sue Bennett.

The Sea Gulls had their best day running the ball as Myron Dent & Co. ran rampant over the Dragons with 280 yards. Dent scored five touchdowns and led the team with 137 yards, including a 45 yard scurry in the fourth quarter to put the icing on the cake.

After going 7-2 last season and making

the playoffs, anything less for this years team would have been a failure. There are a lot of things the Gulls can improve on and there is a lot to look forward too for Sea Gull fans.

If SSU can maintain a solid defense and increase their run production per. game, averaging 76.4 yards this season, this team will still be a major threat in the Capital Athletic Conference. With junior Kris Kershaw returning, the air attack is secured and junior Brian Doyle commanding the special teams, the core is still there.

Even though the season is over and the Gulls fell short of the high expectations placed

upon them, there were still pluses to the season.

A quick look back at the highlights of this years team. Kershaw passing for 343 yards at Methodist, Senior Mike Muldoon ringing up 130 yards receiving at Methodist, Senior George Mayer's three field goals vs. Chowan, junior Brian Doyle being ranked number seventh in the nation in punt returning, and the five touchdowns by Dent to put a close to the 1996 season.

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SPORTSsection

Senior captain stands tall for Gulls

Aaron Talasnik
Flyer Staff Writer

For the past two years, the SSU women's swim team has been led by senior team captain Nikki Cunningham. During this time, she has used her leadership abilities and winning attitude to guide her team to success.

Although Cunningham does not quite hit the 5 foot mark, she is not afraid to stand up to the competition. She constantly challenges herself and her teammates to do better in every performance. "She is so inspirational," said junior Tracy Clason.

Cunningham is the type of captain that leads by example and always gives 110% whether it is practice or a race. Her classes conflicted with practice this season, but she always finds time in the day to do the workouts.

"Nikki is a great practitioner, she is always giving it her all and never complains," stated teammate Becky Dement.

Cunningham is working on a double



Nikki Cunningham captains swim team.
Photo by Carl Cooksey

into joining the Peace Corps. She feels that her performances at SSU are only mediocre because she is not racing as fast as she used to

degree in Biology and Environmental Science will be graduating this spring and is looking

but Coach Jill Stephenson does not see it that way. "Nikki is a versatile swimmer," explained Coach Stephenson. "For the two years that I have coached her she has made steady improvement.. I will never forget her out touching her teammate Noreen Zuiderhof for the school record in the 100 m fly last year."

Some races from her time here will never be forgotten, especially the disappointing losses to Goucher and Marymount. Cunningham believes the key to swimming is to have fun but always to work hard. "Whatever you do don't whine-work hard," she reminds her team.

Losing Cunningham to graduation will leave a gaping hole in the lineup for the SSU women, but a number of promising freshmen are preparing to step up to the standards set by Cunningham and continue the success of the team.

QB Garrison, Black Men United lead SSU teams in NIKE Tournament

Courtesy of Athletic Department

Three teams from Salisbury State represented the school well in the NIKE College Flag Football Regional Tournament held November 22-24 in College Park, Maryland. All three teams made the final day of competition, finishing in the top 16 of 32 team field.

Black Men United finished in fourth place, just two wins shy of an all expense paid trip to the National Tournament in New

Orleans. Led by Quarterback Damon Garrison, the team from SSU stormed its way into the semifinals before bowing out to a team from West Virginia University. Garrison was the catalyst to an explosive offensive. The quarterback's deft moves and quickness made him virtually untouchable. Receivers Reggie Maultsby and Derrick Arnold were great targets for the passing game, especially Maultsby who seemed to make a big catch every time the team needed one.

Salisbury's second team, Basebrawls, made the Final 8 of the tournament. Vinny

Allergretto and Dave Westervelt led the a team

with a stingy defense. In one of the most exciting games of the tournament, Black Men United ousted Basebrawls 14-13 in an All-SSU quarterfinal matchup. With Basebrawls leading 13-7, Garrison scored the game

winning touchdown on an incredible leaping

dive from the 4-yard-line.

Salisbury's third team, OST, made the Final 16 of the tournament. Quarterback Brooks Brenkus racked up a very impressive stat sheet by throwing and running for touchdowns. Receivers Tim Gentry and Sean Suntum also turned in solid performances. Ironically, OST won the Salisbury State Intramural Championship early this year, but received a difficult draw in this tournament.

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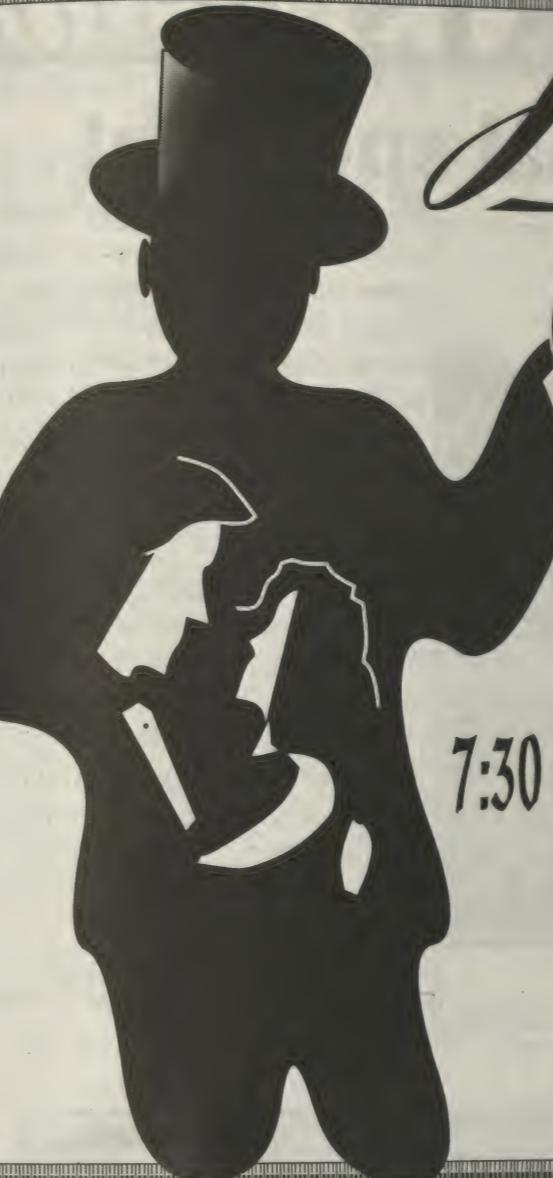
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SPORTS section

Doyle returns to the national spotlight

Sam Atkinson
Flyer Staff Writer

"I thought I was too small to play football but my father told me to go out and try," commented Brian Doyle during his junior year in high school. Doyle did just that and made the squad as the fifth string running back for Chesapeake High in Anne Arundel County and is now in his junior year at Salisbury State University. He is ranked 7th in the nation in Division III as a punt returner.

Doyle is averaging 17.5 yards per chance, and has accumulated a whopping 210 yards in 12 chances through the Sea Gulls first six games. These type of numbers are why this 5'7", 160 lb. wide receiver from Pasadena, MD is ranked among the best at his position.

Doyle is in his second season on



Brian Doyle, nation's 7th ranked punt returner.
Photo by Carl Casper

the squad and has quickly learned the offense and been a frequent target for junior quarterback Kris Kershaw. "I can always look to him in key situations," said Kershaw. He has seven receptions for over 132 yds., averaging 18.9 yards a carry. After snagging two touchdowns in the Homecoming game versus Chowan, he leads the team with three touchdowns.

Hey, what about kickoffs? Well, not to disappoint his fans, he leads the team in six chances, averaging 21.7 yds. for 130 total yards.

"Brian is important to the whole team, offensively playing more and more each week at receiver and making some fine plays there. Plus he's on just about every special team," stated head coach Joe Rotellini.

Special teams
may be Doyle's *continued on page 25*

What's up with the SGA

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Fall Sports Highlights

Field Hockey

The women's team was led by senior Sue Fatz on the offense for their successful 1996 season and senior goalie Kristin Archer on the defense. Fatz recorded 145 career points and 64 career goals breaking both school records. She led the CAC with 23 goals and three assists and was named CAC Player of the Year. Archer received CAC Goalie of the Year honors, and posted eight shutouts. SSU carried a ten game winning streak, claimed the CAC Conference title and was ranked first in the NCAA South Region and second in the nation, before falling unexpectedly to Williams College in the first round of the NCAA tournament. In addition to Fatz and Archer, four other Gulls were named to the All Region Team, including senior Kristin Scarola, junior Laura Getty, junior Karen LaPolla and sophomore Megan Hopper.

Football

It was a disappointing season for the football team, finishing 4-5 despite predictions to improve on last year's record of 7-2. What their record does not reflect are the success of various individuals on the team. At the 23-0 Homecoming shutout of Chowan, kicker George Mayer tied the team record of three field goals in one game. Brian Doyle was ranked seventh in the nation for punt returns, and Myron Dent tied the school record with five touchdowns in the last game of the season at Sue Bennett. QB Kris Kershaw recorded three concussions for the season.

Volleyball

This year's team recovered from some tough obstacles to remember 1996 as a season with some pride. Despite an uninspiring record of 5-8 and then the sudden departure of Coach Parks in early October, the team rebounded and won the Washington College Invitational under the leadership of new head Coach Jodi Boast and set out upon an 11 game winning streak, tying a team record. They finished the season 22-12, and advanced through the CAC tournament before falling to a tough Gallaudet team, and were ranked fifth in the NCAA region.

Women's Cross Country

It was a season full of historical wins for the Gulls. They defeated Mary Washington for the first time ever and capitalized on that victory to build the momentum to carry them to the Mason Dixon Conference title, the CAC title and second in the NCAA South Region. Freshman Kerri Bowers earned Rookie of the Year in the CAC, was fourth in the Region, and 36th in the nation. Coach

SPORTS section

Womens' basketball runs away with Classic title

LaTour named MVP

Brian Burden
Flyer Staff Writer

Freshman Jessica LaTour used this weekend's Salisbury Optimist Gull Classic tournament as a coming out party. The guard scored a game-high 33 points as the sea Gulls knocked off Christopher Newport, 96-91, in the championship game.

LaTour totaled 50 points in two games to walk away with the tournament M.V.P. award and added 15 rebounds and seven assists to her tournament stats. LaTour was placed on the all-tournament team with teammate Dominique Lisa.

The tournament as a whole helped get the team out of its sluggish early season start. The Sea Gulls (4-2) had previously lost to

powerhouse Defiance and had already fallen at Christopher Newport last week. Everyone got involved in the action of this weekend's victory.

Lisa added 18 points and a game-high eight assists to the championship effort. Her bold style of play guided SSU on the court and she fearlessly hounded her opposing guard on defense all night.

Jill Trout added 19 points for the Sea Gulls while Amy Cooke added 13, including four crucial free throws down the stretch, to the winning cause. Joan Harris chipped in a game-high 10 rebounds as the Sea Gulls controlled the boards 57-39.

Outstanding individual performances contributed to the team's dominating 82-55 victory over North Carolina Wesleyan, and set

the pace for the team as they enter conference play this week with York on Tuesday night at Maggs Gymnasium.



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SPORTS section

Punt returner nationally ranked among Division III

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Chesapeake High School. There he was

next year.

Captain in his senior season for football as well as a leading running back on the team. His former teammate Brandon Steinheim of Wesley College who is a two time All-American running back at the Division III level, speaks highly of Doyle. "He's great, he doesn't have a big head, he works hard, he's a small guy just like me, and he puts his 100% on the field," commented Steinheim.

Doyle may not be a big name or a senior on the team but everybody will tell you he is probably their unsung hero of this team or at the least a hard core worker. Just being himself, Doyle gives credit to his teammates first before talking about himself. "Really my teammates are making it easy for me to look good."

Now that he is ranked nationally, opposing teams will think twice when they line up to punt the ball to Brian Doyle.

After high school, Brian wanted to come to Salisbury but as he puts it "I didn't think I was ready yet to go away to college." So he stayed local and attended Anne Arundel Community College where he played baseball.

He wanted to go to AACC to play baseball because he didn't think he was big enough to play college football. He played baseball in the spring and expressed interest in football. He came down here last year and played football and ended up dropping baseball to concentrate on football," explained Disbennett who had scouted Doyle for SSU baseball.

"Brian brings good element to our team," mentioned Paul Ohanian the Sports Information Director of SSU.

Doyle credits his success his top 10 status to his line. "They are doing a great job and I really respect them for the work they do. Hey, if it wasn't for them I'll probably be 500th in the nation," joked Doyle.

Another aspect that his coaching staff and teammates credit Doyle for is his work ethic. "Brian one of our hardest workers on the team," said offensive coach Robb Disbennett.

"On the field during practice he is constantly working hard. He's looking to get better, he asks questions when he doesn't understand things," commented senior wide receiver Mike Muldoon.

"Brian works real hard, especially in this past off season, he lifted and ran and learned our offensive," said a satisfied Rotellini. "He has earned respect of his coaching staff and teammates."

Doyle has performed excellent in the field and in the classroom. This future Art major holds a 2.95 GPA, and currently has straight B's in all of his classes. He has no post-collegiate plans at this time, but has an interest in sports-related cartoons.

Doyle was a two year varsity athlete for football and baseball at his alma mater



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SPORTSsection

Harris comes back for second helping at 30

Brian Burden
Flyer Staff Writer

Joan Harris is not your average Salisbury State University junior. She is also not the average player on the women's basketball team. She is, however, living out a lifelong dream and getting the education she wants and needs to succeed in the world.

Harris is 30 years old and is in her second go around as an SSU student and a basketball player. She was at the university from 1985-87 and played a full season for the team during the 86-87 campaign. She averaged 6 ppg and 4.4 rpg, while playing in 24 games for a team that finished 17-10.

Coach Bridget Benshelter sees herself in Harris. "I'm amazed by her. Her ability to run up and down the court amazes me. She is such a great presence on the team because she sees the world and the basket ball court differently."

Harris brings speed and strength to the team. They count on her rebounding skills to fill the void left by the loss of Amy Fenzel and her 14rpg to graduation. "We're hoping that she'll score some points and be a force on the boards. She will not come into her own until January because she hasn't played in 10 years and she is still re-



Joan Harris brings speed and strength to basketball team.

Photo by Carl Cooksey

learning her strengths and weaknesses. She is really going to be a tremendous asset,"

Benshelter said.

The players have accepted Harris and she feels right at home with her new teammates. "At the beginning of the pre-season, everybody thought that I was just a transfer. There doesn't appear to be a generation gap. I have fun when I'm practicing with them," Harris said.

The amount of time Harris gets in a game depends on the makeup of Salisbury's opponent. She defines her role on the team as a banger who takes leadership when she needs to.

The biggest reason for Harris' return to SSU was for education. She is a Social Work major that works with children with post-traumatic disorders. "I wanted to follow through on my educational goals, and I know that I need to further my education to be successful in the real world."

Harris has proven that she is a team player in every aspect. She is doing her part to ensure the women's basketball team of another successful season to go along with a playoff berth. She is doing this while attempting to expand her education and helping exceptional children. Her determination and desire have already made her successful and should provide her with a solid, stable future.

More fall sports highlights

FALL SPORTS continued from page 23
Latham was chosen as Coach of the Year for the CAC.

Men's Cross Country

The 1996 team was dependent on some new athletes, with only one senior and four first year racers. This was a big improvement over last year's team which had trouble putting five varsity runners on the line in some races. They moved up to a second place finish in the CAC with freshman Max Snavlin and

junior transfer Bob Hendricks earning All-Team honors.

Women's Soccer

In their third year of competition, the women played their best ever. They completed the 1996 season with a 17-3 record, senior goalie Kristi Kauffman recorded 12 shutouts. The women destroyed their competition throughout the CAC tournament, but met their match in the final game at Mary Washington and finished as runner-up in the conference.

Men's Soccer

Led by senior Matt Tirschman, who was second all-time high scorer in SSU history, the Gulls overcame a slow start to their season and launched an eight game win streak. It was a solid season, with an overall record of 12-6. Their season ended with a 2-1 defeat by Mary Washington in the CAC championship final.

Wandetta and Charmaine-

It's a K-O-N-spiracy! Don't let them get you. Stay strong and record things.

-Vicki

Debbie-

I was raised to be charming, not sincere. And don't forget, "Beer, food, KEVIN!"

-Lisa

Mandarino-

You are now a New York Driver! By the way. A funny thing happened...

-Heather

Lis-

Love ya roomie!

-H

Paco-

Sleep in your own bed!
-Your roommate

M-

Do not disobey or argue.
Resistance is futile! But hey,
the sunrise was nice.

-DJ

Shannon-

You're the Spelling Bee champ. Love ya to death.
Always remember the 4 year contract.

-Your roommate

Mo-

Mark's Jose Cuervo
smells like dumpster water.
-The Sober Ones

SSU Community-
Happy holidays! Stay safe.
-The Flyer Staff

ATTENTION DECEMBER GRADUATES

Tickets for Graduation

Again this year, the University Graduation Committee finds it necessary to issue tickets for guests who wish to attend the graduation ceremony. **ADMISSION WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY. EACH DECEMBER GRADUATE WILL BE PROVIDED 12 GUEST TICKETS. UNFORTUNATELY, THERE WILL BE NO EXTRA TICKETS AVAILABLE.**

In addition, please note the following information, dates and deadlines:

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Nov. 13 - 16

Pick up caps, gowns, announcements and 12 tickets at the Graduation Center in the Book Rack. Students who are not able to pick up their graduation items can still pick them up until December 13, 3:00 p.m., or by contacting any of the personnel at The Book Rack at 410-543-6085 to make special arrangements.

Dec. 15

Graduation Exercises - 3 p.m., Wicomico Youth & Civic Center, Salisbury, Maryland. Detailed information will also be mailed to graduates at a later date.

Please check regularly in *The SSU Newsletter*, *The Flyer* and *MAX* for updates and additional details.

PERSONAL ads

Paul-

I refrained from calling you Saturday night, but it would have been funny. I wasn't a lightweight this time.

-Kenna

Nicole-

Stop sucking that Boone's so fast or we'll start calling you "Hoover."

-347 Crew

Sarah-

Why can't you scare away the right guys?

-DJ

Katie-

Please drive in one lane. I can't follow you when you jump back and forth. You drive like you live in New York.

-Aaron

Julie-

Tuesday, 1:50. I'm Batman!
Good citizen would you like to ride in the Batmobile with me?

-Your lab partner

SSU Community-
Happy holidays! Stay safe.

-The Flyer Staff

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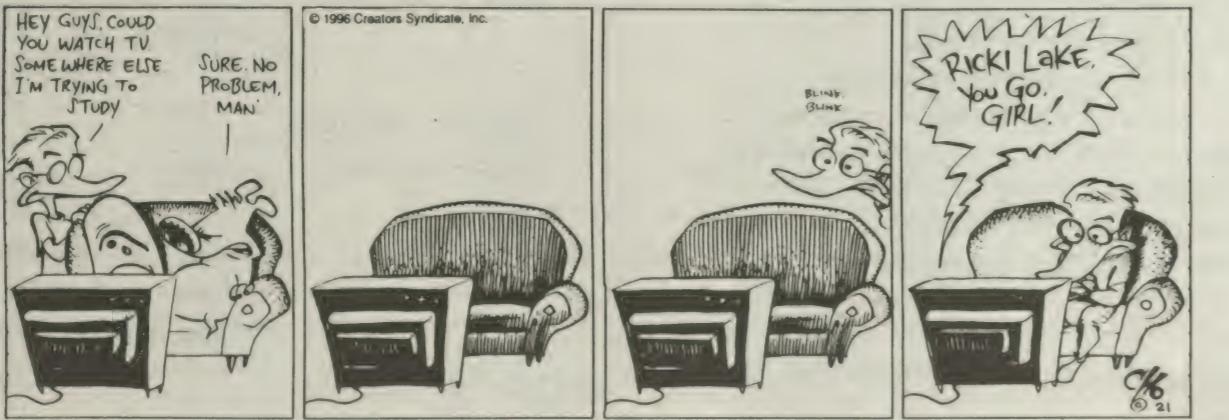


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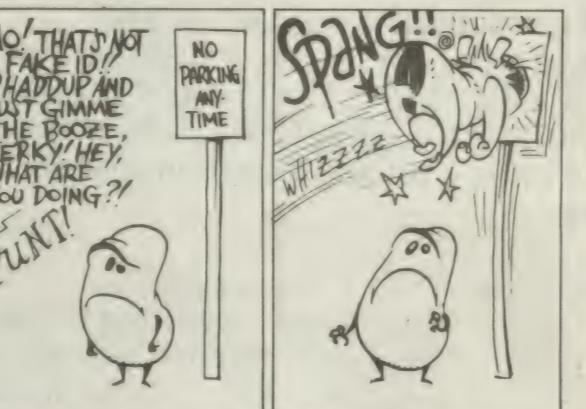
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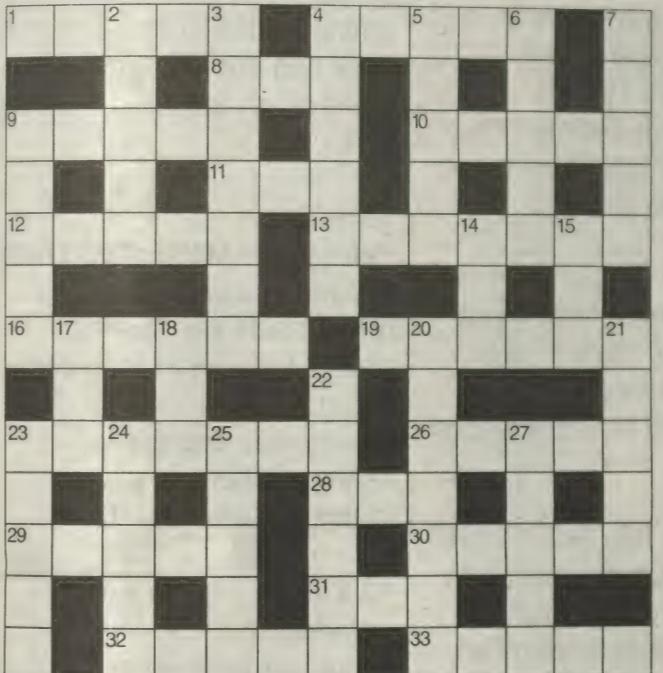
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3. Live
4. Tiny tot
5. Idiot
6. Unbending
7. Surmise
8. Deception
9. Perish
10. Reside
11. Body of dead animal
12. Public show of anger
13. Painter
14. Characteristic
15. Stone worker
16. Court
17. Short-lasting smell
18. Poetry
19. Anger
20. Praise lavishly
21. Restraine
22. Like 25, Unit 27, Street
23. Vague; 3, Toddler; 4, Effect; 5, Interfer; 6, Titter; 7, Modes; 9, Radio 10, Cat
24. Alice 25, Use 18, Cut 20, Removed 21, Tennis 22, Bewail 23, Pewter
25. SOS 17, Use 18, Cut 20, Removed 21, Tennis 22, Bewail 23, Pewter
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CLUES DOWN

1. Desire
2. Indistinct
3. Tiny tot
4. Result
5. Surmise
6. Jeweled coronet
7. Methods
8. Wireless
9. Adult kitten
10. Distress signal
11. Employ
12. Incision
13. Transported
14. Taut
15. Moan
16. Less
17. Similar
18. Unsuitable
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CRIMEbeat



Dogwood Village reported receiving several annoying and unwanted phone calls.

11/14-11/15 Theft - a resident of Chester Hall reported the theft of a car that was parked overnight on Wayne Street.

11/15 Theft - a 15 year old non-student was caught trying to leave Blackwell Library with five books that had not been checked-out. Criminal charges are pending through the Juvenile Justice Department.

11/16-11/17 Vandalism - a resident of Choptank Hall reported that the driver's side mirror was broken off a vehicle parked in the Devilbiss lot.

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Director of Public Safety

10/29-12/5 Theft - a vacuum cleaner was reported stolen from a room in Maggs Gym.

10/31-11/16 Telephone Misuse - a resident of

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11/18 Harassment - a resident of Dogwood Village reported that witnesses had reported that another resident of Dogwood Village had made threats toward the student. Administrative hearing is pending.

11/18 Theft - The Flyer office reported that a set of "CD's" (Ad Creator Art Catalog) has been stolen.

11/19 Act of Intolerance - a resident of Chester Hall reported that a student confronted him and made a threat and an anti-gay remark. Administrative action is pending.

11/20 Telephone Misuse - a resident of St. Martin Hall reported receiving several unwanted and annoying phone calls.

11/21 Theft - the "Subrunners" sign was reported stolen from a delivery car while parked near Severn Hall.

11/22 Alcohol Violation - an underaged resident of Chester Hall was transported to the hospital due to illness caused by drinking an excessive amount of beer. Administrative action is pending.

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12/2 Telephone Misuse - a resident of Severn Hall reported receiving several annoying and unwanted phone calls.

12/3 Theft/Vandalism - a resident of St. Martin Hall reported that the

passenger side window was broken on a car parked in the Chesapeake lot. A CD/Tape player was stolen from the vehicle.

12/3 Theft - a resident of Chester Hall reported the theft of a book bag and contents. The property was later found by an officer in Potomac Hall.

12/3 Theft - a student reported the theft of a book bag and contents from the lobby of the Dining Hall. At 10:40 p.m. the book bag and contents were found by an officer in Potomac Hall.

12/3-12/4 Vandalism/Attempted Theft -

a student reported that the driver's side window was broken for someone to gain entrance to the vehicle. The vehicle was apparently searched, but there was nothing of value to steal.

12/5 Theft - items were reported stolen from the vending machines in Caruthers Hall.

12/5 Theft - a resident of Severn Hall reported the theft of a book bag and contents from the lobby of the Dining Hall. The book bag was later recovered from the west lobby of Potomac Hall by an officer.

Alpha Sigma Tau ΑΣΤ

Christmas time has arrived! Lets all be thankful for our break! Congratulations to ZTA on their successful fundraiser, Mr. Zeta. He was a hunk! Thanks to SAE for hosting our social and for wiping the slate clean. Alpha Lambda did a great job raising a little hell! Why the white T-shirt? Congratulations to Carrie Lynard, AST's sister of the week. She's a pretty impressive party planner. And a final congratulations to all the sisters who were recently elected to fulfill various executive offices. Sigma Tau Gamma - just one request . . . lets try to keep it all inside this time!

Delta Gamma ΔΓ

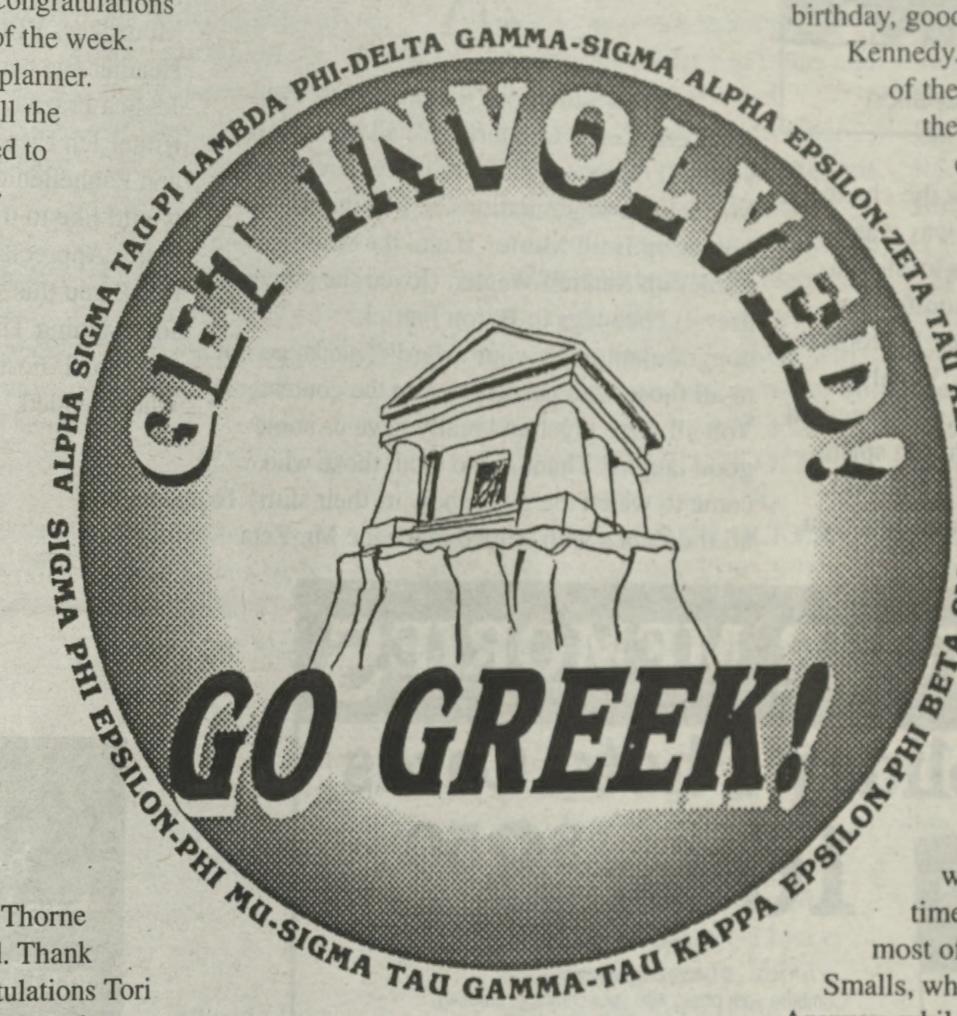
Congratulations to Mindy Allen, Michelle Barger, Becky Cheney, Darlene Chesterton, Caroline DeRosa, Jessica Demerest, Kristine Hamilton, Meredith Kelly, Meghan Kramer, Tara McIntyre, Kristina O'Meara, Shannon Rekstad and Christine Thorne who were initiated last weekend. Thank you TKE for the social. Congratulations Tori Matuszewski for recently being elected co-chair of Greek Council. Congratulations to Delta Gamma's newly elected Chapter Management Team.

Greek Council

Congratulations to the newly elected Greek Council Elective Board. We know you will lead us in a positive direction this spring. Greek Council has adopted a needy family for the Holidays. There are two young girls, ages five and nine, who would greatly appreciate any donations. Have a wonderful and safe holiday.

Phi Mu ΦΜ

Congratulations to our newly initiated sisters: Chrissy, Charlene, Heather, Melissa, Gia, Julie, Tammy, Terrie, Amy, Angie and Kelly. You did it! Welcome to the sisterhood. Thanks Kerri for



All the brothers and their dates had a blast at semi-formal. Even Hoss' grandmother made a cameo appearance, she sure can pound down the booze. All there is to say about La Tolteca is 104 kicks ass. Brother John Kennedy recently celebrated his sweet 16 birthday, good luck on the big driving test,

Kennedy. Did anyone see the front page of the local paper? Can you believe there is underage drinking on a college campus? That's news to me. Jake wins Brother of the Week for his quote of "Posh to that." Marcus, good luck selling your body. Good luck in the playoffs, Floor Hockey Team.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon ΣΑΕ

We just have to mention our Big Bro/Lil Bro Retreat to Drexel once more because it was that much fun. It was a great time for all who went, even though most of us got lost on the way. Hey, Smalls, what's the speed limit again?

Anyway, while we were there, we also had a chance to party with the brothers up at Villanova University, too. It was just a shame we ran out of refreshments so soon. By the way, guys, how many cars were in that accident, 35 or so? Congratulations to Curtis and the SSU Rugby team for winning the Division II National Rugby Championship last weekend at Princeton University. As for Greek Council, we now have three new chairs this year. Good job Tim, Peak and Stork. Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving Break. Well, before Thanksgiving Break, SAE got to work for the WCW Monday Night Nitro Wrestling at the Wicomico Civic Center. We set the arena up in the morning and then went back to work security later that night. We basically got to watch for free and be on national television all

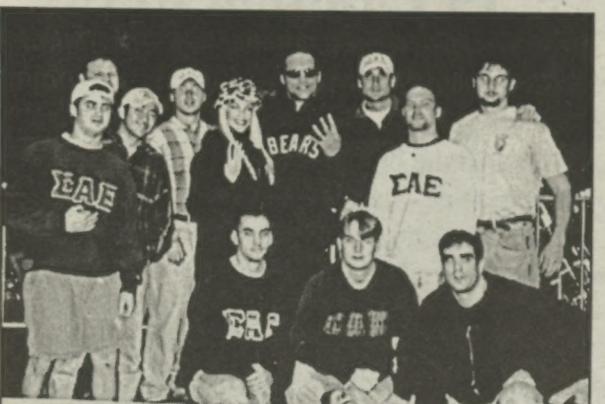
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Pi Lambda Phi ΠΛΦ

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ΣΑΕ at WCW Nitro.
Photo courtesy of Sigma Phi Epsilon

guys were still around or not! The brothers wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we'll see ya's when we get back. Most importantly, the Brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon want to wish Jeff "Goonie" Marucut to a quick recovery. Don't worry about anything and just remember, we are all thinking about you. Get well soon!!

Zeta Tau Alpha ZTA

Congratulations to the first ever Mr. Zeta, Curtis Orndorff. We all know that you will represent ZTA well as you reign as Mr. Zeta! Congratulations also to the first runner up Haili Mortorff and the second runner up Randall Wegler, (loved the green dress!) Nice legs to Byron Patrick, congratulations on your award! Thanks go out to all those who participated in the contest. You all were great and really gave us some good laughs! Thanks also to all those who came to watch the guys show us their stuff! To all the Zeta's who helped make the Mr. Zeta

pageant a success, thank you! A special thanks to Jen Pierce for all her hard work and dedication. Without you, there would not have been a Mr. Zeta! Another thanks goes out to our judges! Thank you for taking time to have some laughs and judge the guys! And one last thank you to our sponsors for the great prizes for our winners! Now, who will be next year's Mr. Zeta? On another note, congratulations to all the newly initiated sisters of Phi Mu and AST. Congratulations to all the new ZTA EC members for next year: President Amy Mouzakes, VPI Kelley Brunsen, NMC Heather Bacher, Sec Lynde Greenwald, Treas Jessica Frazier, Historian Audrey Jackson, Ritual Jen Pierce, Membership Jill Van Atta and Panhellenic Terry Whitman. The sisters would like to thank Alpha Tau for a very fun Sister Appreciation! And finally, one last thank you this week goes to Michele Treyes for planning Thanksgiving Dinner. It was delicious! Formal was a blast. Thanks to all who attended.

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Club meeting or call 543-6344 for additional information. The Bike Club will meet Monday at 8:30 p.m., in the University Center.

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MBA Students & Faculty
You are cordially invited to our Holiday Social on Friday 13 December 1996. It will be held in the Honors House beginning at 7:00 p.m. with refreshments. Semi-formal attire requested. Questions: contact John Herweh at 860-1248. Please RSVP to the Perdue School of Business.

Munch, Crunch, and Cram
Everyone will be cramming, so why not munch and crunch at the same time? Relax. Take a study break with your friends at the Powell Dining Hall for Munch, Crunch and Cram from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Be sure to bring your meal card!

Newman Club
SSU'S CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION! On-campus Catholic masses held every Sunday at 3:30 in FH 111. Our meetings are in the Fireside Lounge at 7 p.m. every Tuesday. Have a great week, everyone!

RHA
RHA would like to thank everyone who came out and supported the Snowball. The turnout was great and everyone had a great time!

SSU-TV Movie Listings
December 10-19
Dec 10-3 p.m. PHAT Beach, 9 p.m. Miracle on 34th Street;
Dec 11 3 p.m. Miracle on 34th Street, 9 p.m. Die Hard; Dec 12 3 p.m. Die Hard 9 p.m.
Independence Day; Dec 13 3 p.m. Independence Day, 9 p.m.
Dead Cold; Dec 16 3 p.m.
Miracle on 34th Street, 9 p.m.
The Girl Can't Help It; Dec 17 3 p.m.

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Attention Poets

The National Library of Poetry has announced that \$48,000 in prizes will be awarded this year to over 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. The deadline for the contest is December 31, 1996. The contest is open to everyone and entry is FREE. Any poet, whether previously published or not, can be a winner. Poets from the SALISBURY are have successfully competed past competitions. Every poem entered also has a chance to be published in a deluxe, hardbound anthology. To enter, send ONE original poem, any subject and any style, to: The National Library of Poetry, 1 Poetry Plaza, Suite 19810, Owings Mills, MD 21117-6282. The poem should be no more than 20 lines, and the poet's address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked by December 31, 1996. A new contest opens January 1, 1997. The National Library of Poetry, founded in 1982, is the largest poetry organization in the world.

Evergreen Yearbook

The Evergreen staff wishes to apologize for any inconvenience senior portraits may have caused. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in regards to rescheduling their photo sessions. Thank you! If you missed senior portraits, you can still have your picture taken. The senior portrait make-up session is February 10-13. Please call us at x87748 if you have any questions. Club photos are March 3-6th. Have a great winter break! Happy Holidays from the Evergreen!

Fencing Club

What could be better than having living targets, as you learn to use a sword? We meet Monday and Thursday at 8-9:30 p.m. in Magg's upstairs gym. Come have the best fight of your life! Friendship, honor, VIOLENCE...what more could you ask for? No prior experience necessary, all weapons and safety gear provided.

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Florida Bike Trip

On January 3-12, the Salisbury State University Bike Club will travel to sunny and warm Florida for its annual winter break trip. Biking, sightseeing and swimming with the manatee at Crystal River will highlight the trip. All faculty, staff and students are welcome to sign-up for this enjoyable, fun-filled experience. Don't worry if you are not in top shape to ride. Each daily ride is supported with a sag van and riders may ride as much or as little as they desire. The cost of the trip is \$175.00. At mid-trip, a layover day will be used to visit Disneyland in Orlando. If interested, come to the Bike

Holiday Dinner

It's finally that time of year...Holiday Season! To put us into the holiday spirit, University Dining Services celebrates with the Holiday Dinner on Wednesday, 12/11

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PHAT Beach 9 p.m.
Independence Day; Dec 18 3 p.m. Independence Day 9 p.m.
Die Hard; Dec 19 3 p.m.
Miracle on 34th Street 9 p.m.
Dead Cold.

StarNet
STARWARS will be released on Jan 31, 1997! StarNet is carpooling there, all are invited! Tickets cost \$7 and will be purchased in advance! Money will be collected by Gloria Horner, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Work Services in the Public Safety building, now until Jan 30, 1997. for more information call Liz at x63209, or send e-mail to egd 9020.

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Surfing Club

Salisbury State Surf Club is under a new regime!! Come out and see what we are all about, in Maggs Gym room 203 every Wednesday at 9:00 p.m. or call Brian at 548-7901, or John at 548-4377.

UDS Winter Break!

Salisbury Room-LAST MEAL: Lunch, Monday 12/16, CLOSED: Tuesday 12/17; **Maryland Room**-LAST MEAL: Lunch, Thursday 12/19; **Boxed Dinners** (Powell dining Hall & Sign Up Only)-Thursday 12/19; **Gull's Nest**-LAST DAY MEAL CARDS: Friday 12/13 & Tuesday 12/17 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday 12/18, CLOSED: 3 p.m. Wednesday 12/18.

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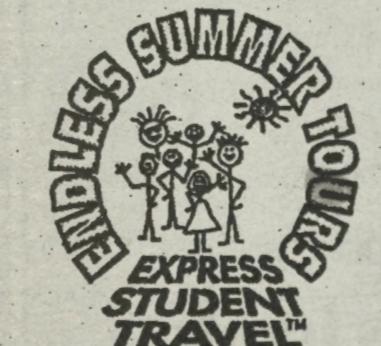
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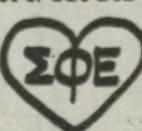
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